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Referee Simone wins sport award

VOLUNTEER referee Simone Williams was one of four winners from Basingstoke and Deane to be honoured at an awards ceremony last week.

Simone was presented with the Junior Volunteer award at the Hampshire and Isle of Wight Sports Awards for giving up her time to referee junior football matches across the borough.

She said: "It was a complete surprise and I didn't expect it – this is amazing!"

Umpire Chas Harvey won the Best Official award for his services to athletics in the borough at Thursday's presentation at Southampton Football Club.

And Sharks Disability Swimming and Shin GI Tai Martial Arts and Dove House School also received the Junior Team and London 2012 Legacy Awards respectively.

By **Christian Wilson**

BASINGSTOKE and Deane's council will vote on whether to oppose or support county council plans to cut 10 of the borough's 11 children's centres next week.

Hampshire County Council plans to slash the number of centres countywide from 54 to 11 in a bid to save the authority £8.5million are currently under public consultation.

Only the Chiltern Primary School-based Honeycomb centre would remain in Basingstoke and Deane, as part of the proposals, to become a singular family support hub for the area.

Basingstoke's Labour group will table a motion to encourage the borough to convey its opposition to the plans in the consultation at a meeting of full council next Thursday.

South Ham councillor Colin Regan will second the motion at the meeting, and labelled the proposed move as an "act of social vandalism".

He said: "The county council has decided to hit the most vulnerable in society and most valuable services.

"Sure Start centres have been slowly reduced for children for years, and so to cut the funding and close 10 out of 11 centres is an act of social vandalism.

"Keep cutting front line services and you create social poverty."

The public consultation will help decide the futures of Lily Pads in Chineham, Courtyard in Lychpit, Octopus in Oakridge, Badgers in Bishops Green, and Pebbles in Popley.

And Hometree in Tadley, Westside in South Ham, Buttercups in Brighton Hill, Bunnies in Hatch Warren and Snowdrops in Overton could also be made available for alternative community use.

A demonstration against the possible closures is due to take place outside a county council children's services drop-in event at Popley Fields Community Centre on April 19, with Brookvale and Kings Furlong councillor Jack Cousens vowing to join protestors.

He said: "It's disgraceful, only certain people will be able to use the services, which means people will fall through the gaps.

"This will cause problems further down the line and will mean that a series of mums and dads will no longer be able to build a network of support – it will fall apart."

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Basingstoke school to shut after 35 years

AN INDEPENDENT Christian school in Basingstoke is due to close after its financial model was branded "unsustainable".

By **Christian Wilson**

Parents of the 162 pupils at The King's School in Sarum Hill will now have to look to enrol their children at another school before it closes in July next year.

The school was originally opened in 1981 for church members by Basingstoke Community Churches, but later widened its intake to accept all children whose parents wanted an affordable independent education with a Christian ethos.

And the school last week announced that "increasing financial pressure" caused by this policy meant that it would have to close its doors.

A school statement said: "Although academic achievement was of secondary importance to its Christian values, for the years that it has been operating, The King's School has achieved some of the highest GCSE grades in Basingstoke.

"In recent years the school has come under increasing financial pressure.

"It has become clear that the model, which aimed at making independent education accessible to as many pupils as possible and which worked well in the earlier years, is now unsustainable."

The school, which received an overall grade of "requires improvement" from Ofsted last year, costs between £2,880 and £5,280 annually for pupils to attend.

And headteacher Russ Beese insisted that the school would make "every effort to ensure that our pupils are able to make the difficult transition to new schools with as little disruption as possible".

He said: "This is a sad day for the entire school community.

"We have put in a lot of hard work behind the scenes to try to avoid this outcome, but unfortunately closure is unavoidable."

Basingstoke Community Churches Team Leader Phil Norris added: "It is with a heavy heart that we make this announcement.

"We are all extremely proud of the achievements of The King's School over the last 35 years.

"Its legacy will live on within the pupils, staff and community."

· The King's School in Sarum Hill Centre is to close its doors at the end of the next academic year

Residents say yes to neighbourhood plan

THE Oakley and Deane public has unanimously voted to approve a neighbourhood plan to shape future development for the area.

Around 95 per cent of residents agreed to adopt the plans in the referendum, which will see 150 new homes built in the area before 2029.

Last Thursday's referendum asked the public: "Do you want Basingstoke and Deane Borough Council to use the neighbourhood plan for Oakley and Deane to help it decide planning applications in the neighbourhood area?"

Over 43 per cent of residents turned out to have their say in the first referendum held in the borough.

It means that the development plan will now be adopted by the borough council in May.

There are currently 13 areas across the borough which have been designated for neighbourhood planning, so as to give communities a say in the sites which are allocated for development.

Cabinet member for planning and infrastructure, Mark Ruffell, said: "People in Oakley and Deane can be proud that they are the first area in the borough to have a supported neighbourhood plan.

"We are very supportive of communities preparing neighbourhood plans, so that they can help shape the future of their area."

Cllr Ruffell continued: "The decision, and the high turnout, reflects the hard work of the local community."

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Scheme renewed

BASINGSTOKE AND DEANE: The borough council's ShopStart scheme has won renewed backing from council leaders.

Cabinet members last week agreed to continue the lease on 4 Church Street for a further five years in partnership with Basingstoke College of Technology (BCoT).

The empty shop has been used for a number of activities, including business training for BCoT students since being used in 2013.

It has also been used to give opportunities for town centre business start-ups to showcase products not available in the Top of Town to help get new pop up businesses off the ground.

CSE campaign

HAMPSHIRE: A police campaign aimed at encouraging Hampshire taxi drivers, takeaway outlets and bars to report signs of child sexual exploitation (CSE) has been launched in the county.

Operation Make Safe will see a series of training sheets and posters handed out to these businesses and at hotels and children's care homes to make them aware of situations to look out for.

The training posters are designed to encourage people to take action if they see a young person under the influence of drugs or alcohol put into a taxi by an adult, or if hotel guests are secretive about the identity of young people in their company.

Hampshire Constabulary lead for child sexual exploitation, Detective Superintendent Victoria Dennis, said: "Young people may not always recognise that they are being exploited or aware of the risks."

She added: "We hope this campaign will raise awareness of the signs of CSE which in turn will enable us to support those at risk and bring perpetrators to justice."

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Pair jailed for spree of burglaries

TWO men who targeted homes in Basingstoke during a series of connected burglaries across south east England have been jailed.

By **Christian Wilson**

Karolis Gribauskas, 20, and Ernestaus Vitkus, 22, were handed sentences of six years and eight months apiece on Monday at Winchester Crown Court after admitting a charge of conspiring to commit burglary.

The pair, of Listowel Road in Dagenham, pleaded guilty to being part of a gang that saw 32 different homes burgled across the region between May 1 and November 27 last year.

Property was stolen from houses in Basingstoke, Andover, Winchester, Farnborough and Alresford as part of the conspiracy, as well as properties in Surrey, Sussex, and the Thames Valley.

The court heard that Gribauskas and Vitkus had stolen thousands of pounds worth of items during their spree, and snapped the locks on the doors of homes that were vulnerable, or where the occupants were away on holiday.

Hampshire Constabulary worked alongside Surrey Police and Sussex Police as part of the Northern Operation Hawk investigation to track down the two men and bring them to justice.

After the hearing, Detective Sergeant James Massey, said: "The offenders, who were living in east London, were identified as a result of a joint investigation between Hampshire Constabulary, Surrey Police and Sussex Police."

He continued: "Hampshire Constabulary led this complex and worthwhile investigation that led to the recovery of thousands of pounds worth of property.

"There are still a number of seized items that have not been identified but are believed to be stolen.

"The guilty pleas and subsequent sentences should provide reassurance and peace of mind to the victims who suffered a very traumatic experience, and in some cases, lost sentimental valuables that have been irreplaceable.

"We will continue to strive to make our communities safe places to live and provide a dedicated response to these complex investigations."

•Karolis Gribauskas (bottom) and Ernestaus Vitkus (top) have both been sentenced to six years and eight months in jail for the series of burglaries across the region

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Eggheads lose

BASINGSTOKE: A woman from Basingstoke helped raise £29,000 for charity live on TV last Thursday.

Jeanette Oliver was one of six women to conquer BBC2 quiz show 'Eggheads' to help raise funds for national charity Alopecia UK.

Each member of the 'Bald Team' suffers from the autoimmune condition, which causes partial or total hair loss.

The show sees contestants go head-to-head against experts known as Eggheads over four rounds of questions, before a final round for the cash prize, which saw the Bald Team come out on top.

Free swimming

BASINGSTOKE AND DEANE: Children under six years old will be offered free casual swimming at Basingstoke Aquadrome and Tadley Pool from next Friday.

Basingstoke and Deane Community Leisure Trust is also offering concessionary prices to all children and young people under 20 years old at the facilities and Basingstoke Golf Centre.

Children's centres cuts proposal branded 'disgraceful'

• *From front page*

Another to question the possible cuts was borough council deputy leader Terri Reid, who raised concerns over the proposed closure of Bunnies at Hatch Warren Community Centre in her ward.

She said: "I know that it's a very well-liked resource and young mums know that they can go and get support and start making networks there, so it is concerning.

"Having had small children myself, I understand the importance of having someone to talk to."

An online petition calling for the county council to save the centres has been signed by 67 people, with residents speaking of the impact the facilities have had on their lives.

Basingstoke resident Andrew McCormick posted: "If you help children and intervene at an early age, many problems are nipped in the bud."

Kerry Black, of Pamber Heath, added: "Another example of local authority knowing the price of something but not its value."

County council executive lead member for children's services, Keith Mans, said: "I am aware that there are concerns about the proposed reduction of children's centre buildings.

"On this point, I would like to take this opportunity to point out that, if it is agreed to go ahead with the proposals, local community outreach venues such as community centres and church halls would continue to be used to deliver services locally."

To take part in the consultation, visit hants.gov.uk/childrens-services-consultation.

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Appeal started after botched cash machine burglary on A34

AN ATTEMPT was made to pull out two cash machines from a service station in Sutton Scotney using two cars.

The burglary took place at the northbound services on the A34 at Sutton Scotney with a vehicle being used to drive backwards through a window at the front of the building.

A blue Isuzu pick-up and a grey Volvo estate were then used to try to pull out the cash machines from the building.

The machines were found close by with no money taken following the incident, which took place at around 1.30am on Sunday, March 13.

Police have now launched an appeal for information into the burglary attempt, and have called on the drivers of a red vehicle and silver vehicle seen leaving the Shell garage just after the incident to come forward.

Detective Constable Claire Boakes, from Basingstoke CID, said: "These services offer 24-hour facilities and there were people inside the building at the time.

"Luckily no physical injuries were caused, however it is imperative we identify those responsible as soon as possible."

Contact police on 101.

Josh jumps to aid of three strangers

MOST 13-year-olds wouldn't know what to do if someone around them collapsed and needed immediate first aid care.

By **Christian Wilson**

In fact, the majority of adults would probably freeze and wait for someone else to take control if they were put in the unenviable position.

But Basingstoke hero teen Josh Oldcorn has been forced into possible life-saving action on no less than three occasions over the last few months.

The St John Ambulance Cadet first used his training in December last year when he jumped to the aid of another teenage boy who he found lying on the ground unconscious and bleeding from the mouth in the park next to Tesco in Chineham.

Josh then repeated his heroics a few weeks later after selflessly getting off a bus early to care for an elderly man who he had seen collapse and start convulsing outside Basingstoke railway station.

And The Costello School pupil amazingly sprang into action a third time last month after his grandmother received a panicked phone call from a disabled woman in her late 60s called Laura, who lived alone and was suffering from a nose bleed.

All three made a full recovery thanks to Josh's care and quick thinking, with grandma Mary Seager praising her grandson for his actions.

She said: "When I took him to Laura's, he didn't act like a 13-year-old.

"I was shocked at how calm and professional he was and how calming he was for Laura.

"He took complete control of the situation and handled it brilliantly."

The year 8 pupil started training as a youth volunteer for Basingstoke's Cadet Unit in 2012 with a view to becoming a combat medic in the military one day.

And he was quick to point to his time with the group for giving him the confidence to act.

"I think learning first aid is very important as you could save a life," said Josh.

"The moment I walked into the park and saw the lad lying there I knew I had to do something.

"Knowing some simple first aid skills gave me the confidence to step in and take action."

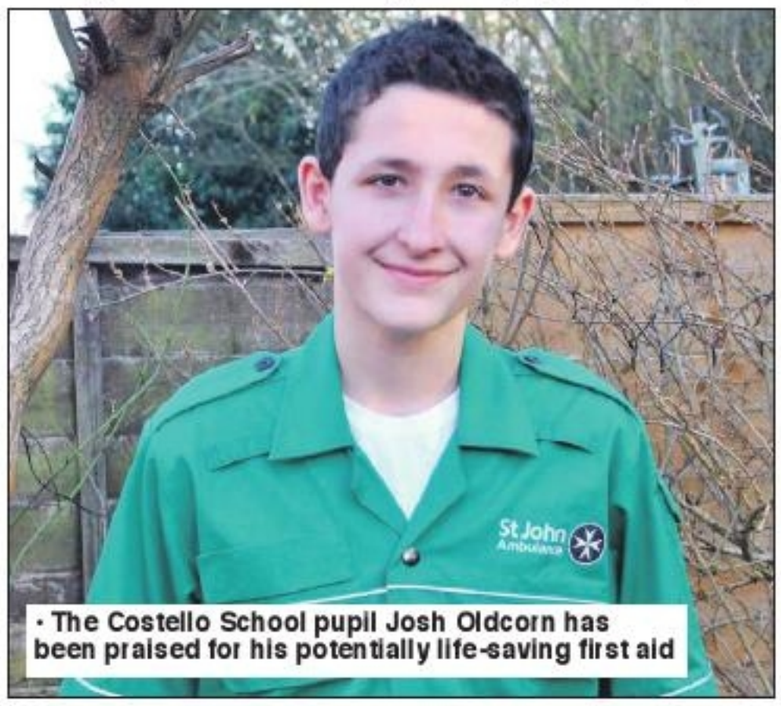
St John Ambulance is the nation's leading first aid charity, providing more than 400,000 people with the information needed to save lives.

Basingstoke Cadet Unit manager Ashley Slaughter said: "I am so pleased [Josh] feels confident enough and able to help and he is an absolute pleasure to teach too.

"It just shows you're never too young to learn first aid."

Mum Tracey added: "I am so proud of Josh.

"He has shown maturity and professionalism beyond his years helping these people."



· The Costello School pupil Josh Oldcorn has been praised for his potentially life-saving first aid

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Church funds

BASINGSTOKE: Parishioners from St Bede's Catholic Church in Basingstoke have raised more than £400 for charity.

Churchgoers collected the funds by selling unwanted presents and belongings after mass, with all the money going to Catholic charity CAFOD's Lent Appeal.

Big band show

BASINGSTOKE: IJO Big Band will return to the Haymarket next month to showcase an array of music from across the eras.

The band of 20 musicians from Basingstoke and Deane will perform on Saturday, April 16 as part of the group's 'A Little History of Big Bands' showpiece.

The show will begin at 7.30pm, with entry costing £14 per person.

Pregnancy drop

HAMPSHIRE: Teenage pregnancy rates have more than halved across Hampshire over the last 16 years, according to figures from the Office for National Statistics.

The county's rate for 2014 was 15.9 per 1,000 of the female population aged 15 to 17 – a 55.7 per cent reduction since 1998.

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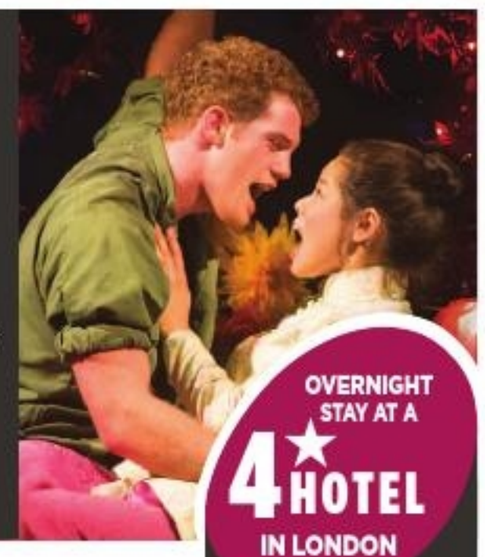
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Council issues fresh call for care workers

THE county council has launched a major recruitment drive to attract more social workers to Hampshire to support vulnerable children and their families.

Hampshire County Council currently employs more than 300 social workers, but is due to be boosted by £3.96million of funding from the Department for Education.

The 'Innovations Programme' will look to reduce the need for children to be taken into care by transforming work so that it better protects youngsters from neglect.

Volunteers are now also being recruited to complete administrative tasks to free social workers up to focus on helping those in need, with the council hoping that this will help attract people to work in the area.

Executive lead member for children's services, Keith Mans, said: "Social work is a really rewarding career and our social workers are some of the best in the country but we need more of the same."

He added: "Now is a particularly exciting time to be joining the county council as we are in the midst of rolling out our social work Innovations Programme, leading the way to transform and modernise social work practice."

100 more new homes planned for Whitchurch

A FINAL decision on whether to build 100 new homes in Whitchurch was set to be made by the borough council last night after the Observer went to press.

By **Christian Wilson**

Council officers have recommended that the work on land between Winchester Road and Micheldever Road be granted planning permission by the authority's development control committee.

The plans would see the construction of seven five-bed, 20 four-bed, 34 three-bed, 31 two-bed and six one-bed houses, as well as two two-bedroom bungalows in south Whitchurch.

An existing house in Winchester Road would also be demolished as part of the development.

And despite 41 letters of objection being received, ward councillor Keith Watts felt that there was "no satisfactory alternative" as Whitchurch looks to take on its portion of the borough's housing demand.

"There is an abundance of evidence to support the outline application for [this] development and I will support it when it goes to the development control committee," said Cllr Watts.

"Nobody likes development on greenfield sites when there are alternatives, but there is no satisfactory alternative to this site for development of this size in Whitchurch.

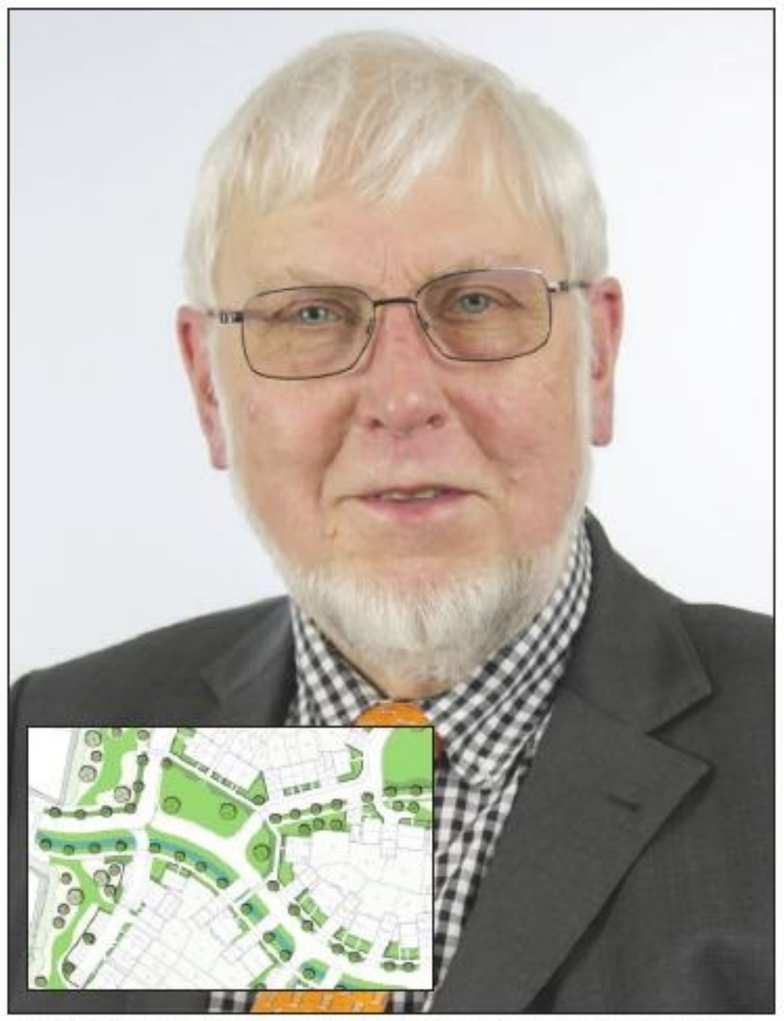
"The Emerging Local Plan looks for a minimum of 350 new dwellings in the town during the life of that plan.

"I support that, not for some top-down reason such as a five-year land supply but because I know people who need to be housed in Whitchurch."

Whitchurch Town Council also voiced no objection to the plans, which would include a new bus and parent parking facility for neighbouring Testbourne Community School and new sports pitches.

But Hurstbourne Priors Parish Council have raised concerns over the expected traffic increase that would take place along Nun's Walk to the south of the development.

A spokesperson for the council said: "Any increase to the volume of traffic on this road will be hazardous given the fact it is a single lane with limited passing places and is regularly used by farm vehicles."



• Whitchurch councillor Keith Watts has given his support to the plans, pictured inset, claiming that there was "no satisfactory alternative" in the ward

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Double delight

KINGSCLERE: JLD School of Dancing has announced that two of its pupils will join the Royal Ballet School.

Harriet Gibson, 10, and Ruben Mariner, 11, who train at the Kingsclere-based group six days a week, auditioned earlier this year and will begin a five-year, full-time course at White Lodge in Richmond Park, London, in September.

School principal Hayley Pitts said: "The Royal Ballet School is one of the leading ballet schools in the world, so we couldn't be happier for Harriet and Ruben.

"We are so proud of them and wish them both the best of luck."

Lottery results

BASINGSTOKE AND DEANE: St Michael's Hospice has announced the winners of its latest lottery draw from Friday, March 18.

First prize of £1,000 goes to ticket 62801 of South Ham, while ticket 70316 of Oakley claims second prize of £100.

Third prize of £50 goes to Basingstoke ticket 18471, and Basingstoke ticket 04739 gets fourth prize of £20.

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New offices

BASING VIEW: The borough council's cabinet agreed to lease a council-owned site in the town centre to a developer to build office space last Tuesday.

Property developer Abstract Securities Limited will look to construct a new five-storey, 60,000 square foot office building in the Basing View business zone.

The offices would be built in the recently designated Enterprise M3 Enterprise Zone, after Abstract was attracted to Basing View due to not having to pay any business rates for five years thanks to the site's enterprise status.

Feast-ival Place

BASINGSTOKE: The popular Eat Street food festival will return to Festival Place this summer for the fourth year running.

The event will take place on June 11 and 12 and feature cooking demonstrations from a mystery TV chef, free food and other entertainment.

Festival Place marketing and business performance manager Sarah Murphy said: "We are looking forward to welcoming both local shoppers and those from further afield and showcasing some of the fabulous food available from our restaurants and cafes."

Kid carers get helping hand from lottery fund

VITAL funds raised from the National Lottery are to be used to help young carers from Basingstoke get "their childhoods back".

By **Christian Wilson**

Basingstoke Young Carers Project is one of nine voluntary groups across Hampshire that will benefit from a huge grant of £1,224,871 from The Big Lottery Fund.

The service helps identify and provide a much-need break for youngsters that care for people with an illness or disability in their families by providing a range of activities, with a total of 170 known young carers currently working around the clock to care for people in the town.

At least £40,000 is to be distributed to each of the nine projects across the county every year for the next three years following the funding application from consortium Hampshire Young Carers Alliance (HYCA).

And Basingstoke Young Carers Project manager Ed Ives-Wara expressed his hope that sealing the groups' futures would encourage more of the 4,109 carers identified in the 2011 census to come forward.

He said: "A year ago we were facing the prospect of not being able to continue to run, but this will really help us support hidden carers that aren't being picked up by schools or workers.

"The new workers that we will be able to employ will really be able to find out who the young carers are, because there is definitely a large proportion that are hidden.

"There's definitely stigma attached meaning people might be too scared to admit they're being cared for.

"We're here to provide respite to youngsters and this money will allow us to support families to get the correct resources and give children their childhoods back."

The award is one of the largest to ever be awarded by Big Lottery, with charity network Basingstoke Voluntary Action leading the big bid.

Chief executive Stephen Morgan said: "We're absolutely delighted and this big grant is a huge help for often unsung, yet fantastic, work across Hampshire."

Basingstoke Young Carers Project's youth clubs are held at Down Grange Sports Complex in Pack Lane on Monday and Wednesday nights.

• Young carers from Basingstoke Youth Carers Project have been handed a big cash boost

Sign of times past at Top of Town

• Cllr Terri Reid (right) with the information boards

HERITAGE information boards explaining Basingstoke's rich history are to be put at different locations across the town centre.

The borough council will unveil four signs in London Street, Market Place, Winchester Street and Wote Street in the spring as part of its Top of Town regeneration project.

Residents and visitors will be able to discover a number of significant locations from the town's past, including where Jane Austen used to dance during her time in the borough.

The boards will also provide interesting facts such as Oliver Cromwell staying at the former Falcon Inn in London Street in 1645, and where the Marquis of Winchester was imprisoned for opposing the Roundheads.

Council deputy leader Terri Reid said: "Basingstoke has a wonderful past and the town has preserved many heritage sites for local people to visit and find out more.

"I hope residents, shoppers and people working or visiting the Top of the Town take the time to read the boards and find out more about this historic area."

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Council cuts put recycling centres at risk

A CONSULTATION to decide the future of Hampshire's household waste recycling centres (HWRCs) has been launched by the county council.

Basingstoke's centre in Wade Road is one of 24 sites that could be under threat as part of the plans suggested.

The council is looking to make £98million of savings by next April, and is now exploring the option of reducing opening hours, or by closing HWRC sites to save money.

A total of £440,000 could be saved if four sites are closed, while savings of £1,050,000 and £1,850,000 could be made by shutting eight and 12 HWRCs.

Up to £650,000 could also be saved by having the 10 least-used HWRCs only open over the weekend and on Mondays.

Each of the centres are currently open seven days a week, but reducing opening hours at each of the sites by one hour a day, one day a week or two days a week, would save the county council £400,000, £450,000 and £800,000 respectively.

The consultation will run until May 25, and can be completed online at hants.gov.uk/hwrc2016.

Officers compensated after new pay blunder

By **Christian Wilson**

HAMPSHIRE police officers have found themselves on the wrong end of another payment mistake from the force's shared services provider.

Compensation is due to be paid to each of the force's 3,003 regular ranked officers that have been improperly paid for overtime and loss of holiday.

The loss of allowances relate to confusion over payments from roads maintenance provider BEAR Scotland, and will see a flat rate of £60 paid to each person affected, at a total cost of £207,032.

Hampshire Constabulary chose this repayment option after concerns over fairness were raised when the force initially elected to pay officers an allowance based on their individual circumstances.

A total of 1,300 Hampshire officers were also incorrectly paid last month in a separate error, with police chiefs insisting that they had acted quickly to deal with the mishaps.

Acting Deputy Chief Constable David Pryde said: "The problems that we have faced with allowance payments are well known but I would again like to apologise to anyone who has been affected.

"We have acted swiftly to put this right and now have work streams up and running to resolve the cause of what has happened and why.

"Importantly, this is taking on board the views of staff and officers and everyone agrees it is important to take the time to get this right."

The initial decision to go down the route of paying individual payments resulted in 400 officers being compensated the wrong amount by H3 – the shared system provider for Hampshire County Council, the fire service and police.

This delay also saw £26,852 more costs imposed than it would have been had the £60 option been applied initially, with the county council echoing the force's sentiments.

Chief executive John Coughlan said: "We'd like to apologise to anyone impacted.

"Our aim is to deliver the best support service, so vital public sector services are protected as much as possible."

Charity gets cash boost

A LOCAL law firm has raised more than £2,000 for Basingstoke organisation Ark Cancer Centre Charity.

The team at Clarke & Son Solicitors in Winchester Road handed over a cheque for £2,115 to charity trustee Merv Rees last week.

Solicitors, support staff and partners from the firm raised the money through a series of fundraising feats, including the completion of a 6km obstacle course, climbing Mount Snowdon and abseiling in Cheddar Gorge.

Mr Rees said: "The Clarke & Son team's, significant contribution is much appreciated, as is their ongoing support."

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Post-festive jobless rise continues

BASINGSTOKE'S post-Christmas unemployment slump continued last month as the rate increased by seven per cent in the town.

Figures from the Office for National Statistics (ONS) found the number of residents claiming Jobseeker's Allowance jumped from 655 to 700 in February.

The number of registered unemployed people had been just 590 in December.

ONS figures revealed the number of claimants aged between 18 and 24 remained at 100 over February, while the overall rise was mirrored across the borough, as the total jumped from 825 to 895.

The findings for Basingstoke show an eight per cent improvement on this time last year. However the national employment rate is at a record high of 74.1 per cent.

Basingstoke Job Centre Plus manager Sarah Crewe-Read said: "The latest labour market figures continue to show good news, with the employment level at a record high.

"Basingstoke's claimant count has risen again slightly this month, but we are still showing a year on year decrease.

"The slight rise may be the knock on effect of temporary work ending after Christmas."

Club leader warns Dragons may leave

THE chairman of Basingstoke Town FC (BTFC) has hinted the club may have to leave the town or even the borough, after its plans build a new stadium were shot down by the council.

By **Christian Wilson**

Rafi Razzak warned the club's future in the town is now "very uncertain" after Basingstoke and Deane Borough Council ruled to block plans for a 5,124-seat ground on land at the Old Common in Eastrop in January.

Councillors also told the club there is no council-owned land available to build a new home for the club, despite having been in negotiations with them to find a location for 15 years.

In an open letter to residents of Basingstoke and Deane last week, Mr Razzak claimed BTFC would be unable to "match the growth of the town" at its current 2,500-capacity home at the Camrose in Western Way.

He said: "The club needs a new stadium because it is not possible to invest in the Camrose to bring it up to modern standards.

"Without a new stadium, the club cannot progress and provide a standard of football and community facilities to match the ambition and growth of the town.

"Our existing business model, in our current location, cannot be sustained and, unless we can find a location on which to build a new stadium, the future of the club in the town is very uncertain.

"We may face having to leave the Camrose and may have to look to ground-share with another club outside of the borough."

The club initially wanted to create a shared sports complex with Basingstoke's rugby, hockey and athletics clubs in Down Grange.

This was before other locations including the leisure park, Gresley Road and the Old Common were then recommended by the council.

And while insisting it would continue to support the club's future ambitions, the borough council were adamant that it made the decision in the best interests of residents.

Cabinet member for finance and resources, John Izett, said: "We had to ensure that we took the right decision about the use of council-owned land for the people of the borough.

"This meant balancing our desire to support the football club in its aspirations to improve its stadium with the views of local people, who clearly make use of the Old Common land and told us of the value of green space in our town centre.

"We remain supportive of the club's aspirations for the future."

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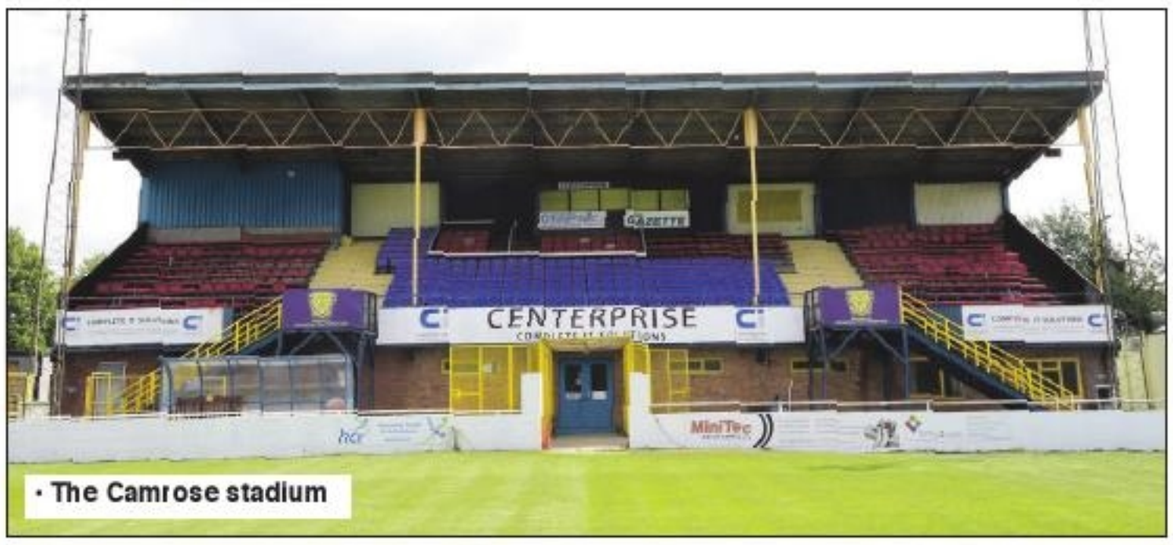

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Basingstoke MP praises new budget

MP Maria Miller has praised George Osborne for delivering a "good budget for Basingstoke".

The chancellor included plans for a sugar tax on the soft drinks industry among the main points of his eighth budget last Wednesday.

A total of £520million is to be raised each year to fund primary school sport as part of the tax, while fuel duty is also set to be frozen at 57.95p per litre for the sixth year.

Mrs Miller said: "So many Basingstoke families have struggled with sky high fuel costs in recent years and will welcome the Chancellor's announcement that fuel duty is being frozen again, the sixth year in a row.

"The announcement of a new 'Sugar Levy' on the soft drinks industry is an important boost for children's health."

And the Basingstoke MP was also quick to praise the rise of personal tax-free allowances to £11,500 for 31million people, and a plan to make all schools academies by 2022.

She added: "This is a good budget for Basingstoke: lower taxes, support for business to create more jobs and fairer funding for schools."

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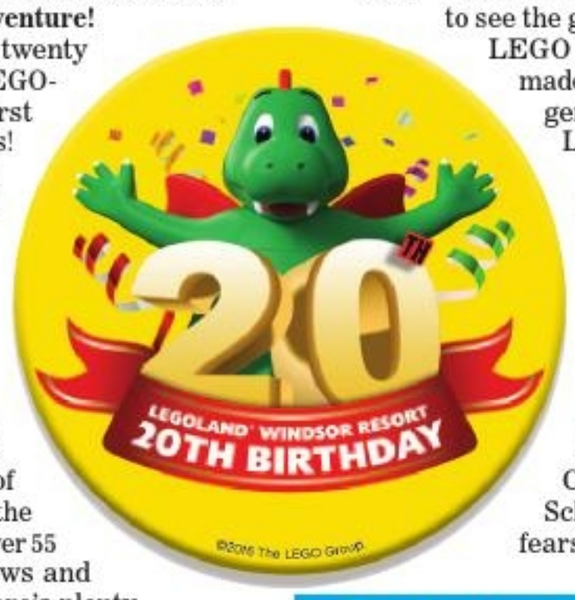

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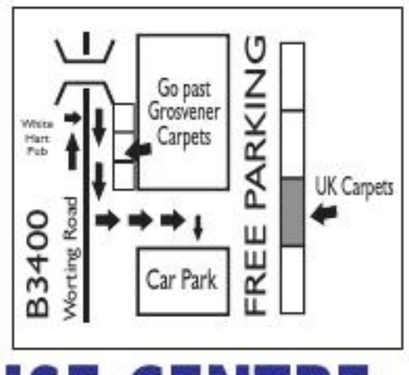

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Thursday March 24th

BBC1

DAYTIME

6.00 Breakfast (S) **9.15 Heir Hunters** (S) **10.00 Homes Under the Hammer** (S) **11.00 Call the Council** (S) **11.45 Caught Red Handed** (S) **12.15 Bargain Hunt** (S)(R) **1.00 BBC News at One; Weather** (S) **1.30 BBC Regional News and Weather** (S) **1.45 Doctors** (S) **2.15 Think Tank** Quiz show, hosted by Bill Turnbull. (S) **3.00 Escape to the Country** Property-hunting in Suffolk. (S)(R) **3.45 The TV That Made Me** Kirsty Wark looks back at significant TV from her past. (S) **4.30 Flog It!** (S) **5.15 Pointless** (S)(R) **6.00 BBC News at Six; Weather** (S) **6.30 BBC Regional News and Weather** (S)

7

7.00 The One Show Topical stories from around the UK. (S)
7.30 EastEnders Mick cannot help but question whether Ollie has changed; (S) BBC News: Regional News (S)

8

8.00 MasterChef Five more amateurs compete for a place in the quarter-final, preparing food that represents who they are, before three of them cook again using either sweet or savoury ingredients. (S)

9

9.00 DIY SOS: The Big Build The team is in Spalding, making a house more wheelchair-friendly for a girl with cerebral palsy, with the local tradespeople mucking in to bring Gabrielle Blackman's design to life. (S)(R)

10

10.00 BBC News at Ten (S)
10.30 BBC Regional News and Weather (S)
10.45 The Autistic Me The stories of three young men with differing types of autism. (S)(R)

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11.45 This Week The past seven days in politics. (S)

AFTER 12

12.30 Weather for the Week Ahead (S) **12.35** BBC News (S)

BBC2

6.00 Show Me the Monet (S)(R) **6.45 James Mason: Talking Pictures** (S)(R) **7.30 Caught Red Handed** (S)(R) **8.00 Sign Zone: The Great Interior Design Challenge** (S)(R) **9.00 Victoria Derbyshire** (S) **11.00 BBC Newsroom Live** (S) **12.00 Daily Politics** (S) **1.00 Coast** (S)(R) **1.20 The Chef's Protege** (S)(R) **1.50 Portillo's State Secrets** (S)(R) **2.20 The Doctor Blake Mysteries** (S)(R) **3.15 Rivers with Griff Rhys Jones** (S)(R) **4.15 The Best Dishes Ever** (S) **4.45 Terry and Mason's Great Food Trip** (S)(R) **5.15 Antiques Road Trip** (S)(R) **6.00 Eggheads** (S) **6.30 Too Much TV** (S)

7.00 Big Dreams Small Spaces A Worthing couple transform their overgrown plot into a family garden for their son, who has Down's syndrome, and a Hitchin woman tries to create a community vegetable patch. (S)

8.00 The Secret History of My Family The story of rival street gangs in 1890s Salford, and local magistrate Joseph Makinson who became determined to stamp them out, charting their descendants to the present day. (S)

9.00 Line of Duty New series. Sgt Danny Waldron and his armed-response unit shoot dead a criminal, claiming they were acting in self-defence. But AC-12 suspect it was murder. Daniel Mays stars. (S)

10.00 Stewart Lee's Comedy Vehicle The comedian explores death. (S)
10.30 Newsnight (S)

11.10 Weather (S)
11.15 The Women's Football Show Featuring highlights from the opening round of FA WSL fixtures. (S)
11.45 Employable Me (S)(R)

12.45 The People v OJ Simpson: American Crime Story (S)(R) **1.35** Too Poor to Stay Warm – Panorama (S)(R) **2.05** Let's Play Darts for Sport Relief 2016 (S)(R) **3.05** Holbein: Eye of the Tudors – A Culture Show Special (S)(R)

ITV

6.00 Good Morning Britain (S) **8.30 Lorraine** (S) **9.25 The Jeremy Kyle Show** The host invites guests to air their differences. (S) **10.30 This Morning** (S) **12.30 Loose Women** (S) **1.30 ITV Lunchtime News;** Weather (S) **1.55 ITV Regional News;** Weather (S) **2.00 Judge Rinder** Real-life cases in a studio courtroom. (S) **3.00 Dickinson's Real Deal** (S) **3.59 ITV Regional Weather** (S) **4.00 Tipping Point** Game show, hosted by Ben Shephard. (S) **5.00 The Chase** Quiz show, hosted by Bradley Walsh. (S) **6.00 ITV Regional News;** Weather (S) **6.30 ITV Evening News;** Weather (S)

7.00 Emmerdale Marlon tries to salvage what remains of Paddy and Rhona's relationship. (S)
7.30 Migration – Is Britain Really Full?: Tonight Ranvir Singh tries to uncover the facts about migration. (S)

8.00 Emmerdale Holly returns to the village with an ulterior motive. (S)
8.30 The Cruise The staff compete to win the employee of the month title. (S)

9.00 Bear Grylls: Mission Survive The celebrities move from the bush to the coastal forest, where Bear teaches them to extract fluid from an unusual source, before they cross a canyon below a powerful waterfall. (S)

10.00 ITV News; Weather (S)
10.30 ITV Regional News; Weather (S)
10.40 Speeding Wars Police in Essex try to stop the extreme speeders who race at more than 100mph on public roads, going under cover in Operation Wagtail. (S)(R)

11.40 Murder, She Wrote A jeweller is murdered and a famous actress's tiara is stolen. (S)(R)

12.30 Jackpot247 3.00 Migration – Is Britain Really Full?: Tonight (R) **3.25** ITV Nightscreen **5.05** The Jeremy Kyle Show (S)(R)

Channel 4

6.00 Countdown (S)(R) **6.45 The Goldbergs** (S) **8.00 Everybody Loves Raymond** (S)(R) **9.00 Frasier** (S)(R) **10.05 Car SOS** (S)(R) **11.05 Shipping Wars** (S) **12.00 Channel 4 News** (S) **12.05 A Place in the Sun: Winter Sun** (S)(R) **1.10 A Place in the Sun: Winter Sun** (S)(R) **2.10 Deal or No Deal** Another contestant hopes to win big money. (S) **3.10 Countdown** (S) **4.00 A New Life in the Sun** A new hypnotherapist finds his true calling in France. (S) **5.00 Couples Come Dine with Me** A trio of Coventry couples try to outdo one another. (S) **6.00 The Simpsons** (S)(R) **6.30 Hollyoaks** (S)

7.00 Channel 4 News (S)

8.00 Ugly House to Lovely House with George Clarke Architect Jo Cowen helps a Croydon couple breathe new life into their uninspiring council house with a striking glazed extension. But problems soon arise. (S)

9.00 8 Out of 10 Cats Does Countdown Kevin Bridges and Rebecca Front join team captains Jon Richardson and Sean Lock for another round of light-hearted words-and-numbers fun. (S)

10.00 Alan Carr: Chatty Man Alan chats to The Voice UK coaches Will.i.am, Boy George, Paloma Faith and Ricky Wilson, and Fresh Meat cast members Jack Whitehall, Charlotte Ritchie, Joe Thomas and Greg McHugh. (S)

11.05 Tattoo Fixers The team helps a man whose Kurt Cobain portrait looks more like Jesus and a client who doodled on his own legs with a tattoo machine that he got for Christmas. (S)

12.10 The Last Leg (S)(R) **1.05** Ramsay's Kitchen Nightmares USA (S)(R) **1.55** Royal Navy School (S)(R) **2.50** Secrets of Cadbury: Channel 4 Dispatches (S)(R) **3.20** Unreported World (S)(R)

Channel 5

6.00 Milkshake! 9.15 The Wright Stuff Studio debate on the day's news. **11.15 Cowboy Builders** (S)(R) **12.10 5 News Lunchtime** (S) **12.15 Can't Pay? We'll Take It Away** (S)(R) **1.15 Home and Away** (S) **1.45 Neighbours** (S) **2.15 NCIS** Kidnappers strike on Halloween. (S)(R) **3.15 FILM Garage Sale Mystery II: All That Glitters (2014) (12)** Crime drama, starring Lori Loughlin. (S) **5.00 5 News at 5** (S) **5.30 Neighbours** Kyle discovers what Nene did to Doug. (S)(R) **6.00 Home and Away** Matt invites Maddy to move into his caravan. (S)(R) **6.30 5 News Tonight** (S)

7.00 Ben Fogle: New Lives in the Wild UK Ben travels to Wales to meet 61-year-old Emma Orbach, who abandoned "modern" Britain, her family home and even her marriage to live in a mud hut deep in the countryside. (S)(R)

8.00 Medical Mysteries: The Woman Who Smells of Fish & Other Medical Mysteries New series. Patients in search of answers for their mysterious conditions; (S) 5 News Update (S)

9.00 Trauma Doctors: Every Second Counts The emergency medics treat a clinically dead woman whose heart has stopped and a man whose head has been crushed by a falling tree. (S)

10.00 One-Eyed Killer: Britain's Worst Crimes The story of Dale Cregan, who hit the headlines in 2012 when he killed police officers Nicola Hughes and Fiona Bone. (S)

11.00 Left for Dead by the Yorkshire Ripper Women who survived attacks by Peter Sutcliffe recount their experiences, revealing that the police's failure to take notice of them may have delayed the investigation. (S)(R)

12.00 SuperCasino 3.10 That's So 1984 (S)(R) **4.00** Nick's Quest (S)(R) **4.25** Divine Designs (S)(R) **4.50** House Doctor (S)(R) **5.10** House Doctor (S)(R) **5.35** House Doctor (S)(R)

DIGITAL

ITV2 SKY: 118 FV: 6
6.00 Planet's Funniest Animals **6.20** Dinner Date **7.10** The Ellen DeGeneres Show **8.00** Emmerdale **8.30** Coronation Street **9.00** Totally Bonkers Guinness World Records **9.35** Catchphrase **10.15** Dinner Date **11.15** Royal Pains **12.10** Emmerdale **12.45** Coronation Street **1.15** You've Been Framed! Gold **1.45** The Ellen DeGeneres Show **2.35** The Jeremy Kyle Show. The host invites guests to air their differences over family and relationship issues, and provides them with his own brand of no-nonsense advice. **5.50** Take Me Out **7.00** Funniest Ever You've Been Framed! **8.00** Two and a Half Men **9.00** Scorpion **10.00** Celebrity Juice **10.50** @ elevenish **11.20** Family Guy **12.20** American Dad! **1.45** @elevenish **2.10** Teleshopping **5.40** ITV2 Nightscreen

ITV3 SKY: 119 FV: 10
6.00 Movies Now **6.10** Doctor in the House **6.35** Heartbeat **7.35** Where the Heart Is **8.40** The Royal **9.40** Judge Judy **11.00** Noah's Ark **12.05** Murder, She Wrote **1.05** Heartbeat **2.05** The Royal **3.10** Where the Heart Is **4.15** Doctor in the House **4.50** In Loving Memory **5.20** On the Buses **5.55** Heartbeat **7.00** Murder, She Wrote **8.00** Foyle's War **10.00** A Touch of Frost **12.05** Wire in the Blood **1.05** Where the Heart Is **1.55** ITV3 Nightscreen **2.30** Teleshopping

BBC4 SKY: 116 FV: 9
7.00 World News Today; Weather **7.30** Top of the Pops: 1981 **8.00** Timeshift: The Last Days of Steam **9.00** Digging for Britain **10.00** Roman Britain: A Timewatch Guide **11.00** The Beginning and End of the Universe **12.00** Top of the Pops: 1981 **12.30** Arena: Ken Dodd – Happiness **1.30** Sounds of the Eighties **2.00** Pappano's Classical Voices **3.00** Digging for Britain **4.00** Close

E4 SKY: 136 FV: 28
6.00 Charmed **7.35** Hollyoaks **8.05** Rules of Engagement **9.00** New Girl **10.00** Baby Daddy **11.00** Charmed **1.00** How I Met Your Mother **2.00** The Big Bang Theory **3.00** Baby Daddy **4.00** How I Met Your Mother **5.00** New Girl **6.00** The Big Bang Theory **7.00** Hollyoaks **7.30** The Goldbergs **8.00** The Big Bang Theory **9.00** Brooklyn Nine-Nine **10.00** The Inbetweeners **11.10** The Big Bang Theory **12.05** Rude Tube **1.10** The Inbetweeners **2.10** How I Met Your Mother **3.00** Rude Tube **3.55** Don't Trust the B**** in Apartment 23 **4.15** Rules of Engagement

MORE4 SKY: 138 FV: 14
8.55 Jamie's 15 Minute Meals. A recipe for glazed pork fillet accompanied by pepper rice and barbecue sauce, plus a tapas bruschetta and grilled sardines. **9.35** Food Unwrapped **10.05** Celebrity Come Dine with Me **11.10** Four in a Bed **1.55** Come Dine with Me **4.40** A Place in the Sun: Summer Sun **6.55** The Supervet **7.55** Grand Designs **9.00** The Good Wife **10.00** Thicker Than Water **11.20** Gadget Man **12.30** 8 Out of 10 Cats Does Countdown **1.30** Embarrassing Bodies **2.35** Gadget Man **3.35** Close

FILM4 SKY: 315 FV: 15
11.00 The Four Feathers (1939) (U) Period adventure, starring John Clements. **1.20** The Black Swan (1942) (PG) Swashbuckling adventure, with Tyrone Power. **3.05** The Tall T (1957) (PG) Western, starring Randolph Scott. **4.40** Sea of Sand (1958) (U) Second World War adventure, starring Richard Attenborough. **6.40** Beautiful Creatures (2013) (12) Fantasy, starring Alden Ehrenreich. **9.00** Rise of the Planet of the Apes (2011) (12) Sci-fi thriller, starring James Franco. **11.05** Man on Fire (2004) (18) Action thriller, starring Denzel Washington. **1.55** Wrong Turn at Tahoe (2009) (18) Crime thriller, starring Cuba Gooding Jr. **3.45** Close

DAVE SKY: 111 FV: 12
7.00 Rocket City Rednecks **7.25** Ice Road Truckers **8.10** American Pickers **10.00** Top Gear **12.00** Storage Hunters UK **2.00** American Pickers **4.00** Sin City Motors **5.00** Top Gear **6.00** American Pickers **8.00** Would I Lie to You? **10.00** QI XL **11.00** Russell Howard's Good News Extra **12.00** Hoff the Record **12.40** Mock the Week **2.00** QI XL **3.00** Suits **4.00** Home Shopping

SKY1 SKY: 106
6.00 Sunrise **9.00** NCIS: Los Angeles **10.00** Hawaii Five-0 **12.00** NCIS: Los Angeles **1.00** Hawaii Five-0 **3.00** All Aboard: East Coast Trains **4.00** Futurama **5.00** The Simpsons **5.30** Futurama **6.30** The Simpsons **8.00** DC's Legends of Tomorrow **9.00** Childhood's End **10.50** Stan Lee's Lucky Man **11.50** Hawaii Five-0 **12.50** Nothing to Declare **1.15** Hawaii Five-0 **2.05** Danny Dyer's Deadliest Men: Living Dangerously **3.00** Stargate SG-1 **5.00** Sky World News **5.30** Sky World Review & Business Report

SKY ATLANTIC SKY: 108
6.00 The Guest Wing **8.00** House **10.00** The West Wing **11.00** Blue Bloods **12.00** Cold Case **1.00** Without a Trace **2.00** The Petrol Age **3.00** House **5.00** The West Wing **6.00** Blue Bloods **7.00** Cold Case **8.00** Without a Trace **9.00** The Pacific **11.40** Alan Partridge's Mid Morning Matters **12.10** Last Week Tonight with John Oliver **12.45** Girls **1.20** Togetherness **1.55** The Sopranos **3.05** 100 Code **4.05** The Guest Wing

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Friday March 25th

DAYTIME

BBC1

A Question of Sport, 7.30pm

6.00 Breakfast (S) 9.00 In the Footsteps of Judas (S) 10.00 Homes Under the Hammer (S)(R) 11.00 Call the Council (S) 11.45 Caught Red Handed (S) 12.15 Bargain Hunt (S) 1.00 BBC News at One; Weather (S) 1.20 BBC Regional News and Weather (S) 1.30 Doctors (S) 2.00 The Doctor Blake Mysteries A psychiatric nurse is found murdered at the asylum. (S)(R) 2.55 Think Tank (S) 3.40 Escape to the Country (S)(R) 4.25 The TV That Made Me (S) 5.10 Flog It! (S)(R) 5.45 Pointless (S)(R) 6.30 BBC News; Weather (S) 6.45 BBC Regional News Programmes (S)

7

7.00 **The One Show** Hosted by Alex Jones. (S)
7.30 **A Question of Sport** With Mark Foster, Ali Williams, Chris Powell and Sophie Hitchon. (S)(R)

8

8.00 **EastEnders** Janet goes missing during the Easter egg hunt. (S)
8.30 **MasterChef** The first quarter-final. (S)

9

9.00 **Boomers** New series. The friends head to a campsite to celebrate Trevor's birthday. (S)
9.30 **Mrs Brown's Boys** Agnes's children suspect one of them is adopted. (S)(R)

10

10.00 **BBC News at Ten** (S)
10.15 **BBC Regional News and Weather** (S)
10.25 **The Graham Norton Show** New series. A Batman special, with guests Ben Affleck, Henry Cavill and Amy Adams. (S)

11

11.10 **Room 101 – Extra Storage** With Christian Jessen, Warwick Davis and Victoria Coren Mitchell. (S)(R)
11.50 **The Celebrity Apprentice USA** (S)

AFTER 12

1.15 **The Celebrity Apprentice USA** (S) 2.40 Weather for the Week Ahead (S) 2.45 BBC News (S)

BBC2

Springwatch at Easter, 9pm

6.00 FILM **Herbie Goes Bananas (1980) (U)** (S) 7.30 FILM **Short Circuit (1986) (PG)** (S) 9.00 **Heir Hunters** (S)(R) 10.00 **Meerkats: Secrets of an Animal Superstar – Natural World** (S)(R) 11.00 **Musicals: Talking Pictures** (S)(R) 11.45 FILM **Kismet (1955) (U)** (S) 1.35 FILM **Singin' in the Rain (1952) (U)** (S) 3.15 **Rivers with Griff Rhys Jones** How the River Lea has played a vital role in London's history. (S)(R) 4.15 **The Best Dishes Ever** (S) 4.45 **Terry and Mason's Great Food Trip** (S)(R) 5.15 **Eggheads** (S) 5.45 **Antiques Road Trip** (S)(R) 6.30 **Too Much TV** (S)

7.00 **Mary Berry's Easter Feast** Mary explores the foods that bring each different community together on Easter Sunday, as well as sharing her own family favourites, such as mouthwatering roast lamb. (S)(R)

8.00 **Mastermind** The last semi-final. (S)
8.30 **Gardeners' World** Joe Swift visits a major bedding plant grower. (S)

9.00 **Springwatch at Easter** Chris Packham and Michaela Strachan present from Stackpole, Pembrokeshire, where they launch the Springwatch: Do Something Great campaign, designed to help the UK's wildlife. (S)

10.00 **QI** The second of two shows in which Stephen Fry looks back over the M series. (S)
10.30 FILM **Night Train to Lisbon (2013) (12)** Premiere. Drama, starring Jeremy Irons and Melanie Laurent. (S)

12.15 FILM **The Tempest (2010) (PG)** (S) 1.55 Dunblane: Our Story (S)(R) 2.55 Land of Hope and Glory – British Country Life (S)(R) 3.55 Caribbean with Simon Reeve (S)(R) 4.55 A Very British Renaissance (S)(R)

ITV

Emmerdale, 7pm

6.00 CITV 7.00 **Good Morning Britain** (S) 8.30 **Lorraine** (S) 9.25 **Thunderbirds Are Go** (S)(R) 10.20 FILM **Overboard (1987) (PG)** (S) 12.30 **Loose Women** (S) 1.25 **ITV Lunchtime News;** Weather (S) 1.35 **ITV Regional News;** Weather (S) 1.40 **Celebrity Squares** (S)(R) 2.20 **Judge Rinder** Real-life cases in a studio courtroom. (S) 3.25 **Dickinson's Real Deal** (S) 4.20 **Tipping Point** Game show, hosted by Ben Shephard. (S) 5.25 **The Chase** Quiz show, hosted by Bradley Walsh. (S) 6.25 **ITV Regional News;** Weather (S) 6.45 **ITV Evening News;** Weather (S)

7.00 **Emmerdale** Holly's "boyfriend" Dean turns up in the village to collect a debt. (S)
7.30 **Coronation Street** Carla is horrified by Tracy's news. (S)

8.00 **Britain's Whales** Part one of two. Ben Fogle witnesses whales off the nation's coastline. (S)
8.30 **Coronation Street** Carla is worried that Tracy will tell all to Nick. (S)

9.00 **Britain's Sharks** Part two of two. As the body of the humpback whale is returned to the sea, Ben Fogle and Ellie Harrison witness how the death of the marine giant triggers a massive feeding event. (S)

10.00 **ITV News;** Weather (S)
10.10 **ITV Regional News;** Weather (S)
10.15 **Benidorm** The Garveys attempt to win a pub quiz. (S)(R)
10.45 FILM **Octopussy (1983) (PG)** Spy adventure, starring Roger Moore and Maud Adams. (S)

1.05 **Jackpot247** 3.00 Murder, She Wrote (S)(R) 3.50 ITV Nightscreen

Channel 4

Travel Man: 48 Hours in Seville, 8.30pm

6.00 **Countdown** (S)(R) 6.45 **The Goldbergs** (S) 8.00 **Everybody Loves Raymond** (S)(R) 9.00 **Frasier** (S)(R) 10.00 **The Big Bang Theory** (S)(R) 11.25 **The Simpsons** (S)(R) 12.25 **A Place in the Sun: Winter Sun** (S)(R) 1.30 **Channel 4 Racing** (S) 4.00 **A New Life in the Sun** A couple launch a shabby-chic B&B and restaurant in France. (S) 5.00 **Couples Come Dine with Me** Amateur MC James and his partner Heather kick-off the contest in Oxfordshire. (S) 6.00 **The Simpsons** (S)(R) 6.30 **Hollyoaks** Holly finds Robbie, who suggests that they leave for Edinburgh. (S)

7.00 **Channel 4 News** (S)
7.30 **Unreported World** The shortage of drugs and medical equipment in Venezuela. (S)

8.00 **Food Unwrapped** New series. Jimmy Doherty visits a subterranean salt-processing plant. (S)
8.30 **Travel Man: 48 Hours in Seville** New series. A mini break in southern Spain. (S)

9.00 **Gogglebox** Capturing the households' instant reactions to what they are watching on TV from the comfort of their own sofas. (S)

10.00 **The Last Leg** Adam Hills, Josh Widdicombe and Alex Brooker are joined by celebrity guests for a comic review of the significant moments of the past seven days. (S)

11.05 **Raised by Wolves** Germaine cries wolf to regain attention. (S)(R)
11.40 **First Dates** A self-confessed ladette is on the hunt for the love of a good woman. (S)(R)

12.40 **Virtually Famous** (S) 1.20 FILM **The French Connection (1971) (18)** (S) 3.05 Kirstie's Fill Your House for Free (S)(R) 4.00 Location, Location, Location (S)(R) 5.00 Jamie's Money Saving Meals (S)(R)

Channel 5

All New Super Scary Plane Landings, 8pm

6.00 **Milkshake!** 9.15 **The Wright Stuff** 11.25 **Funniest Falls, Fails & Flops** (S)(R) 11.55 5 News Lunchtime (S) 12.00 **Home and Away** (S) 12.30 **Neighbours** (S) 1.00 FILM **Anzio (1968) (PG)** (S) 3.10 FILM **Operation: Daybreak (1975) (15)** Fact-based Second World War drama, starring Timothy Bottoms and Martin Shaw. (S) 5.25 5 News at 5 (S) 5.30 **Neighbours** Sheila learns Xanthe is falling behind at school. (S)(R) 6.00 **Home and Away** Billie contemplates running away as her trial nears. (S)(R) 6.30 **Police Interceptors: Takedown with Vinnie Jones** (S)

7.00 **Concorde Air Disaster** Documentary detailing the events of 25 July, 2000, when Air France Flight 4590 crashed after taking off at Charles de Gaulle Airport, Paris, resulting in the deaths of 113 people. (S)

8.00 **All New Super Scary Plane Landings** The islands of the Caribbean, home to some of the world's most difficult runways, including St Barts where the airport is on the side of a hill that gives way to the sea. (S)

9.00 FILM **Air Force One (1997) (15)** The American president takes on Russian terrorists who have hijacked his plane and are threatening his family. Action thriller, with Harrison Ford, Gary Oldman and Glenn Close. (S)

11.20 **Aircrash: The Miracle of Flight 32** The Airbus A-380 that suffered engine failure over Singapore in November 2010. (S)(R)

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ITV2 SKY: 118 FV: 6
6.00 Planet's Funniest Animals 6.20 Dinner Date 7.10 The Ellen DeGeneres Show 8.00 Emmerdale 9.00 You've Been Framed! Gold Calendar 10.00 Catchphrase 10.45 FILM: Nim's Island (2008) (U) Comedy adventure, starring Jodie Foster. 12.45 Emmerdale 1.45 FILM: Ella Enchanted (2004) (PG) Fantasy adventure, starring Anne Hathaway. 3.40 FILM: Cats & Dogs: The Revenge of Kitty Galore (2010) (U) Comedy sequel, starring Chris O'Donnell. 5.25 FILM: Despicable Me (2010) (U) Animated comedy, with the voice of Steve Carell. 7.15 FILM: Liar Liar (1997) (12) Comedy, starring Jim Carrey. 9.00 FILM: Hansel & Gretel: Witch Hunters (2013) (15) Fantasy adventure, with Gemma Arterton and Jeremy Renner. 10.50 Family Guy 11.50 American Dad! 12.40 Two and a Half Men 1.10 The Cleveland Show 2.05 Totally Bonkers Guinness World Records 2.30 Teleshopping

ITV3 SKY: 119 FV: 10
6.00 Rising Damp 7.10 FILM: Carry On Don't Lose Your Head (1966) (PG) 9.00 Rising Damp 10.30 FILM: On the Buses (1971) (PG) 12.20 FILM: Mutiny on the Buses (1972) (PG) 2.10 FILM: Holiday on the Buses (1973) (PG) Comedy, starring Reg Varney. 3.55 Rising Damp 5.55 Doc Martin 8.00 Midsomer Murders 10.00 A Touch of Frost 12.10 FILM: Private Benjamin (1980) (15) 2.20 Long Lost Family 3.10 Rory Bremner's Great British Views 4.50 On the Buses 5.20 Judge Judy 5.40 ITV3 Nightscreen

BBC4 SKY: 116 FV: 9
7.00 Top of the Pops: 1981 7.30 The Good Old Days 9.00 FILM: Janis: Little Girl Blue (2015) (15) Premiere. Documentary about 1960s blues singer Janis Joplin. 10.30 Girls in Bands at the BBC 11.30 Girl in a Band: Tales from the Rock 'n' Roll Front Line 12.30 Top of the Pops: 1981 1.05 FILM: Janis: Little Girl Blue (2015) (15) 2.35 Girls in Bands at the BBC 3.35 Close

E4 SKY: 136 FV: 28
6.00 Charmed 7.35 Hollyoaks 8.05 Rules of Engagement 9.00 New Girl. Starring Zooey Deschanel. 10.00 Baby Daddy 11.00 Charmed 1.00 How I Met Your Mother 2.00 The Big Bang Theory 3.00 Baby Daddy 4.00 How I Met Your Mother 5.00 New Girl 6.00 The Big Bang Theory 7.00 Hollyoaks 7.30 Brooklyn Nine-Nine 8.00 The Big Bang Theory 9.00 FILM: Max Payne (2008) (15) Action thriller, starring Mark Wahlberg. 11.00 The Big Bang Theory 12.00 Tattoo Fixers 1.00 The Goldbergs 1.30 Brooklyn Nine-Nine 2.00 2 Broke Girls 2.25 Don't Trust the B**** in Apartment 23 3.10 Tattoo Fixers 4.05 Rules of Engagement

MORE4 SKY: 138 FV: 14
8.55 Jamie's 15 Minute Meals 9.35 Food Unwrapped 10.05 Come Dine with Me 11.10 Four in a Bed 1.55 Come Dine with Me 4.40 A Place in the Sun: Summer Sun 6.50 Vet on the Hill 7.55 Grand Designs 9.00 Blue Eyes 10.10 8 Out of 10 Cats Does Countdown 12.15 Ramsay's Kitchen Nightmares USA 1.15 Grand Designs 2.10 The Good Wife 3.15 River Cottage Bites 3.35 Close

FILM4 SKY: 315 FV: 15
11.00 Night at the Museum: Battle of the Smithsonian (2009) (PG) Fantasy comedy sequel, starring Ben Stiller. 1.10 Ice Age: Continental Drift (2012) (U) 2.50 The Golden Compass (2007) (PG) Fantasy adventure, starring Dakota Blue Richards and Nicole Kidman. 5.00 Thunderbirds (2004) (PG) Sci-fi adventure, starring Bill Paxton. 6.50 Fantastic Four (2005) (PG) Sci-fi comic-book adventure, starring Ioan Gruffudd. 9.00 Paul (2011) (15) Sci-fi comedy, with Simon Pegg and Nick Frost. 11.05 Fast & Furious 5 (2011) (12) Action adventure, starring Vin Diesel and Dwayne Johnson. 1.40 Return of the One-Armed Swordsman (1969) (18) 3.50 Close

DAVE SKY: 111 FV: 12
7.00 The World of Stupid Criminals 7.20 Ice Road Truckers 8.10 Top Gear Patagonia Special 10.40 Storage Hunters UK 2.40 Top Gear Winter Olympics Special 3.40 Top Gear Africa Special 6.20 Top Gear Patagonia Special 9.00 Dangerman: The Incredible Mr Goodwin 10.00 Mock the Week 11.20 Have I Got a Bit More News for You 12.00 Alan Davies: As Yet Untitled 1.00 QI 1.40 8 Out of 10 Cats 3.10 Suits 4.00 Home Shopping

SKY1 SKY: 106
6.00 Sunrise 9.00 Futurama 10.00 Supergirl 6.00 Futurama 6.30 The Simpsons 8.00 Dogs Might Fly 9.00 Stan Lee's Lucky Man 10.00 A League of Their Own 11.00 Duck Quacks Don't Echo 12.00 Hawaii Five-0 2.00 MacIntyre: World's Toughest Towns 3.00 Stargate SG-1 5.00 Sky News on the Hour 5.30 Week in Review

SKY ATLANTIC SKY: 108
6.00 The Guest Wing 8.00 House 10.00 The West Wing 11.00 Blue Bloods 12.00 Cold Case 1.00 Without a Trace 2.00 The Petrol Age 3.00 House 5.00 The West Wing 6.00 Blue Bloods 7.00 Cold Case 8.00 Without a Trace 9.00 Game of Thrones 11.00 Agent Down 12.00 The Wire 2.25 The Sopranos 3.30 Cold Case 4.20 The Guest Wing

Too-wit-too-who's coming for Easter?
Find our friendly owls in West Green House Gardens between 1pm and 3pm on Easter Sunday, March 27th and win a free Easter Egg!
West Green House Gardens: open over Easter, including Bank Holiday Monday 11am - 4.30pm
Thackhams Lane, Hartley Wintney, RG27 8JB www.westgreenhouse.co.uk
Easter Sunday Competition open to those aged 5-12 only. Prizes available while stocks last.

Martons

Berkshire & North Hampshire

April

Tuesday 5th April
The Cotswolds in Spring and Moreton-in-Marsh Market
£ PRICE BUSTER
Route 'A' • Adult & OAP £15.00 • Child £7.50

Thursday 7th April
London Museums or The London Eye
£ PRICE BUSTER
Route 'C' • Adult & OAP £15.00 • Child £7.50

Saturday 9th April
April Fools Mystery Coastal Excursion
£ PRICE BUSTER
Route 'C' • Adult & OAP £15.00 • Child £7.50

Saturday 23rd April
Lymington Market
£ PRICE BUSTER
Route 'C' • Adult & OAP £15.00 • Child £7.50

May

Saturday 7th May
Brighton
Route 'C' Adult £20.00 • Child £13.50

Saturday 21st May
Broadstairs, Sandwich and the Old Kent Coast
Route 'C' • Adult & OAP £23.00 • Child £15.00

Tuesday 31st May
Call the Midwife at Chatham Historic Dockyard or Medieval Rochester
£ PRICE BUSTER
(Admissions not included)
Route 'C' • Adult & OAP £15.00 • Child £7.50

June

Thursday 2nd June
Portsmouth and Southsea
£ PRICE BUSTER
Route 'C' • Adult & OAP £15.00 • Child £7.50

Saturday 4th June
Bournemouth or Poole Quay
£ PRICE BUSTER
Route 'C' • Adult & OAP £15.00 • Child £7.50

Sunday 19th June
Father's Day to Seaton and the Tramway
Route 'C' • Adult & OAP £22.00 • Child £15.00

July

Saturday 2nd July
Jolly Boys Outing to Margate
Route 'C' • Adult & OAP £22.00 • Child £15.00

Saturday 16th July
Swanage
Route 'C' • Adult & OAP £20.00 • Child £13.50

Wednesday 27th July
Chichester on Market day and Selsey Bill
£ PRICE BUSTER
Route 'C' Adult & OAP £15.00 • Child £7.50

Thursday 28th July
Greenwich
£ PRICE BUSTER
(Admissions NOT included)
Route 'C' • Adult & OAP £15.00 • Child £7.50

Sunday 31st July
Worthing
£ PRICE BUSTER
Route 'C' • Adult & OAP £15.00 • Child £7.50

August

Wednesday 3rd August
Market day in Ringwood and Christchurch
£ PRICE BUSTER
Route 'C' • Adult & OAP £15.00 • Child £7.50

Thursday 4th August
Bognor or Butlins
£ PRICE BUSTER
(Admissions NOT included).
Route 'C' • Adult & OAP £15.00 • Child £7.50

Wednesday 10th August
Market Day in Wells, Cheddar Gorge and the Mendip Hills
£ PRICE BUSTER
(Admissions NOT included).
Route 'C' • Adult & OAP £15.00 • Child £7.50

Thursday 11th August
Warwick Castle or Stratford • Upon • Avon
£ PRICE BUSTER
(Admissions NOT included)
Route 'A' • Adult & OAP £15.00 • Child £7.50

Sunday 14th August
Eastbourne including Air Show
Route 'C' • Adult & OAP £20.00 • Child £13.50

Tuesday 16th August
London do as you please
£ PRICE BUSTER
Route 'C' • Adult & OAP £15.00 • Child £7.50

Thursday 18th August
Barry Island and St Fagans Open Air Museum
Route 'A' • Adult & OAP £22.00 • Child £15.00

Sunday 21st August
Bournemouth including Air Show
£ PRICE BUSTER
Route 'C' • Adult & OAP £15.00 • Child £7.50

Tuesday 23rd August
Abergavenny on Market Day and the Wye Valley
Route 'A' • Adult & OAP £20.00 • Child £13.50

Thursday 25th August
Bristol **£ PRICE BUSTER**
Route 'A' • Adult & OAP £15.00 • Child £7.50

Tuesday 30th August
Weymouth and Portland on Market Day
£ PRICE BUSTER
Route 'C' • Adult & OAP £15.00 • Child £7.50

September

Thursday 1st September
Oxford or Blenheim Palace
£ PRICE BUSTER
Route 'B' • Adult & OAP £15.00 • Child £7.50

Saturday 3rd September
Weston – Super • Mare
Route 'A' • Adult & OAP £20.00 • Child £13.50

Saturday 17th September
The Isle of Wight (Indudes ferry).
Route 'C' • Adult & OAP £32.00 • Child £22.00

October

Saturday 1st October
City of Ely and The Fens
Route 'A' • Adult & OAP £24.00 • Child £15.00

Saturday 15th October
Grand Central Explorer
Route 'A' • Adult & OAP £24.00 • Child £15.00

Tuesday 25th October
Portsmouth or Southsea
£ PRICE BUSTER
Route 'C' • Adult & OAP £15.00 • Child £7.50

Thursday 27th October
Devizes on Market Day and Lacock
£ PRICE BUSTER
Route 'C' • Adult & OAP £15.00 • Child £7.50

Saturday 29th October
Autumn Tints, The Forest of Dean
Route 'A' Adult & OAP £22.00 • Child £15.00

November

Saturday 12th November
London Christmas Shopping and Lights
£ PRICE BUSTER
Route 'B' • Adult & OAP £15.00 • Child £7.50

Saturday 19th November
Birmingham: Frankfurt Christmas Market, Christmas Craft Market and Bull Ring Shopping
Route 'A' • Adult & OAP £22.00 • Child £15.00

Saturday 26th November
Bath Christmas Market
Route 'C' • Adult & OAP £20.00 • Child £13.50

December

Saturday 3rd December
Lakeside Christmas Shopping
£ PRICE BUSTER
Route 'C' • Adult & OAP £15.00 • Child £7.50

Saturday 10th December
Brugge Christmas Market
Please remember your passport!
(Price includes return Eurotunnel crossings)
Route 'X' • £45.00 per person – (no child reduction)

Saturday 17th December
Christmas in London (including Winter Wonderland)
£ PRICE BUSTER
Route 'C' • Adult & OAP £15.00 • Child £7.50

Excursion bookings can be made at:

Shopmobility, Church Street, Basingstoke, RG21 7QQ (Cash or Cheques only)

Tel: 01256 476066

Saturday March 26th

DAYTIME

BBC1

Casualty, 9.35pm

6.00 Breakfast (S) **10.00 Saturday Kitchen Live** (S) **11.30 MasterChef** (S)(R) **12.00 BBC News;** Weather (S) **12.10 Football Focus** (S) **12.50 Saturday Sportsday** (S) **1.00 Can Seb Coe Save Athletics?** (S) **1.30 Live Athletics** (S) **3.30 FILM The Princess and the Frog (2009) (U)** Disney animated musical fantasy, with the voice of Anika Noni Rose. (S) **5.00 BBC News** (S) **5.10 BBC Regional News; Weather** (S) **5.20 Pointless Celebrities** Another star-studded edition of the unorthodox general knowledge quiz. Alexander Armstrong hosts. (S) **6.10 Can't Touch This** (S)

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7.00 The Voice UK The remaining contestants conquer their nerves and take to the stage in the first live show of the series, with viewers at home deciding which acts will progress to the semi-finals. (S)

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8.55 The National Lottery Live Aled Jones joins Gaby Roslin to push the Lotto button. (S)

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9.05 The Voice UK The results of the first public vote of the series are announced. (S)
9.35 Casualty A convicted murderer's plans to make use of a trip to A&E to escape from prison. (S)

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10.25 BBC News; Weather; (S) National Lottery Update (S)
10.45 FILM Indiana Jones and the Kingdom of the Crystal Skull (2008) (12) Action adventure sequel, starring Harrison Ford and Cate Blanchett. (S)

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AFTER 12

12.40 FILM Biker Boyz (2003) (12) Motorcycling action drama, starring Laurence Fishburne. (S) **3.25** (BST) Weather for the Week Ahead (S) **3.30** BBC News (S)

BBC2

Flog It!, 3.50pm

8.05 FILM The Captive Heart (1946) (PG) (S) **9.40 The Women's Football Show** (S)(R) **10.10 Homes Under the Hammer** (S)(R) **11.10 Natural World: Polar Bears and Grizzlies – Bears on Top of the World** (S)(R) **12.00 Rick Stein: From Venice to Istanbul** (S)(R) **1.00 War Films, Talking Pictures** (S) **1.45 FILM The Heroes of Telemark (1965) (PG)** Second World War thriller, starring Kirk Douglas. (S) **3.50 Flog It!** (S)(R) **4.15 Big Dreams Small Spaces** (S)(R) **5.15 Gardeners' World** (S)(R) **5.45 Easter from King's** Easter-themed music, performed by the Choir of King's College, Cambridge. (S)

7.00 Tribes, Predators & Me Gordon Buchanan learns how tribal cultures hunt and live alongside dangerous animals, beginning by joining the Waorani tribe in Ecuador as they search for anacondas. (S)(R)

8.00 Perry and Croft: Made in Britain How the duo's sitcoms chronicled British people's attitudes to love and sex. (S)(R)
8.30 Dad's Army A bomb lands on the bank. (S)(R)

9.00 Being the Brontës Martha Kearney, Helen Oyeyemi and Lucy Mangan mark the 200th anniversary of Charlotte Brontë's birth by immersing themselves in the lives of the author and her sisters. (S)

10.00 FILM Jane Eyre (2011) (PG) A governess falls in love with her mysterious employer, only to discover he is concealing a terrible secret. Period drama, with Mia Wasikowska, Michael Fassbender and Jamie Bell. (S)

11.50 FILM Passion (2012) (15) An advertising executive steals her protege's ideas, setting in motion a lethal game of oneupmanship. Brian De Palma's thriller, with Rachel McAdams. (S)

2.25 (BST) Monteverdi in Mantua: The Genius of the Vespers (S)(R) **3.25** The World's Most Expensive Stolen Paintings (S)(R) **4.25** Mozart in Prague: Rolando Villazon on Don Giovanni (S)(R) **5.25** This Is BBC Two (S)

ITV

Live International Football, 7.30pm

6.00 CITV 7.30 Scrambled! (S) **7.35 Mr Bean: The Animated Series** (S)(R) **7.50 Horrid Henry** (S)(R) **8.10 Nerds & Monsters** (S)(R) **8.30 Jessie** (S) **9.05 The Tom & Jerry Show** (S)(R) **9.25 Thunderbirds Are Go** (S)(R) **10.15 Murder, She Wrote** (S)(R) **11.10 The Jeremy Kyle Show** (S)(R) **12.15 ITV News;** (S) ITV Regional News. (S) **12.20 The Jeremy Kyle Show** (S)(R) **1.25 Judge Rinder** (S)(R) **2.25 The Chase** (S)(R) **3.25 Planet's Got Talent** (S)(R) **3.55 FILM Free Willy 3: The Rescue (1997) (U)** (S) **5.35 ITV Regional News;** Weather (S) **5.45 ITV News** (S) **6.00 Ant & Dec's Saturday Night Takeaway** (S)

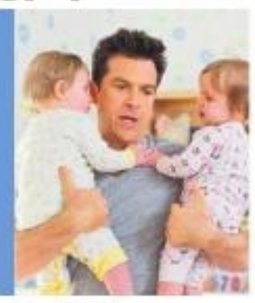
7.30 Live International Football Germany v England (kick-off 7.45pm). Mark Pougatch presents coverage of the friendly encounter between the old rivals, which takes place at the Olympiastadion in Berlin. (S)

10.00 The Jonathan Ross Show Star Wars actress Carrie Fisher, comedian Russell Howard and soprano Katherine Jenkins join Jonathan in the studio for a chat. (S)

11.05 ITV News; Weather (S)
11.20 International Football Highlights Germany v England. (S)

12.15 Jackpot247 4.00 (BST) Murder, She Wrote (S)(R) **4.50** ITV Nightscreen

Channel 4


The Change-Up, 11.25pm

6.15 How I Met Your Mother (S)(R) **7.05 Mountain Biking: The Pioneer** (S) **8.00 Everybody Loves Raymond** (S)(R) **9.00 The Morning Line** (S) **10.00 Marvel's Agents of SHIELD** Adrian Pasdar guest stars. (S) **11.00 The Superhumans Show** (S) **11.30 The Big Bang Theory** (S)(R) **12.25 The Simpsons** (S)(R) **1.30 Channel 4 Racing** (S) **4.00 Channel 4 Racing: Dubai World Cup** Live coverage of the world's most lucrative flat meeting. (S) **5.30 Speed with Guy Martin** A daring attempt to set a world speed record for a hovercraft. (S)(R) **6.30 Channel 4 News** (S)

7.00 The World's Weirdest Weather The influence of strange weather on the natural world, examining the factors that create caves of sapphires and blue lava, and lead to gatherings of walruses. (S)

8.00 Shakespeare's Tomb Documentary revealing the results of a two-year-long investigation into William Shakespeare's grave in Stratford-upon-Avon, which culminated with surprising finds. (S)

9.00 FILM The Heat (2013) (15) Premiere. An ambitious FBI agent and an unconventional cop are forced to work together to bring a drug kingpin to justice. Action comedy, with Sandra Bullock. (S)

11.25 FILM The Change-Up (2011) (15) Two friends envy each other's lives, but when they switch bodies, they learn that the other does not have it so easy. Comedy, with Jason Bateman. (S)

2.30 (BST) Hollyoaks (S)(R) **4.40** Sarah Beeny's How to Sell Your Home (S)(R) **5.05** Location, Location, Location (S)(R)

Channel 5

Live Championship Boxing, 9.40pm

6.00 Milkshake! 8.55 The Fairly OddParents (S) **9.30 The Saturday Show: Easter Special** Matt Barbet and Gaby Roslin present. (S) **11.30 Police Interceptors** (S)(R) **12.30 FILM Star Trek V: The Final Frontier (1989) (PG)** Sci-fi adventure sequel, starring William Shatner. (S) **2.35 FILM Columbo: By Dawn's Early Light (1974) (PG)** Crime drama, starring Peter Falk and Patrick McGoohan. (S) **4.30 FILM Columbo: Murder, Smoke and Shadows (1989) (PG)** Crime drama, starring Peter Falk. (S) **6.20 NCIS: Los Angeles** Sam traces the leader of a Yemeni terrorist group. (S)

7.05 NCIS: New Orleans A dead petty officer's demise is linked to a new drug sweeping through New Orleans. (S)

8.00 NCIS The team investigates the murder of a Navy commander's wife. (S)
8.55 5 News Weekend (S)

9.00 Goal Rush: Football League Tonight A round-up of all the goals from League One and League Two. (S)
9.40 Live Championship Boxing Nick Blackwell v Chris Eubank Jr. (S)

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ITV2 SKY: 118 FV: 6
6.00 Kesha: The Hot Desk **6.10** Emmerdale **8.40** Coronation Street **11.10** Ant & Dec's Saturday Night Takeaway **12.40** The Almost Impossible Gameshow **1.40** Scorpion **2.40** FILM: Evan Almighty (2007) (PG) Starring Steve Carrell. **3.40** FYI Daily **3.45** FILM: Evan Almighty (2007) (PG) **4.35** Britain's Got More Talent: Top Ten Surprises **5.40** FILM: The Mummy (1999) (12) **6.40** FYI Daily **6.45** FILM: The Mummy (1999) (12) **8.00** FILM: The Back-up Plan (2010) (12) Romantic comedy, starring Jennifer Lopez and Alex O'Loughlin. **9.00** FYI Daily **9.05** FILM: The Back-up Plan (2010) (12) Concluded. **10.05** Celebrity Juice: Easter Special **10.50** Family Guy **12.20** American Dad! **12.50** Beowulf: Return to the Shieldlands **2.40** (BST) Kylie Minogue: The Hot Desk **2.50** Teleshopping **5.50** ITV2 Nightscreen

ITV3 SKY: 119 FV: 10
6.00 Movies Now **6.10** Rising Damp **7.00** FILM: On the Buses (1971) (PG) **8.00** FYI Daily **8.05** FILM: On the Buses (1971) (PG) **8.45** Rising Damp **10.15** FILM: Carry On Loving (1970) (PG) **11.15** FYI Daily **11.20** FILM: Carry On Loving (1970) (PG) **12.05** FILM: Carry On Jack (1963) (PG) **1.05** FYI Daily **1.10** FILM: Carry On Jack (1963) (PG) **2.00** FILM: Carry On Cleo (1964) (PG) **3.00** FYI Daily **3.05** FILM: Carry On Cleo (1964) (PG) **3.55** Rising Damp **5.55** Doc Martin **7.00** Midsomer Murders **9.00** Rising Damp Forever **10.00** FILM: Rising Damp (1980) (PG) Comedy based on the 1970s sitcom, starring Leonard Rossiter. **11.00** FYI Daily **11.05** FILM: Rising Damp (1980) (PG) Concluded. **12.05** Blue Murder **2.25** (BST) ITV3 Nightscreen **2.30** Teleshopping

BBC4 SKY: 116 FV: 9
7.00 Treasures of the Indus **8.00** Human Planet **9.00** Follow the Money **11.00** FILM: Hello Quo (2012) (15) Documentary about rock band Status Quo. **12.20** Status Quo: Live and Acoustic **2.20** (BST) Top of the Pops: 1981 **2.55** Top of the Pops: 1981 **3.25** FILM: Hello Quo (2012) (15) **4.45** Sounds of the Sixties **4.55** Close

E4 SKY: 136 FV: 28
6.00 Rude(ish) Tube **7.10** Suburgatory **8.05** Rules of Engagement **9.00** Jane the Virgin **10.00** Baby Daddy **11.00** Melissa & Joey **12.00** How I Met Your Mother **1.00** Brooklyn Nine-Nine **2.00** The Goldbergs **3.30** FILM: Hairspray (2007) (PG) Musical comedy, starring Nikki Blonsky and John Travolta. **5.45** Rude(ish) Tube Shorts **6.00** The Big Bang Theory **9.00** FILM: Terminator Salvation (2009) (12) Sci-fi thriller sequel, starring Christian Bale. **11.15** Gogglebox **2.25** (BST) Scheiffer Bates: I Con **2.55** Tattoo Fixers **3.50** How I Met Your Mother **4.40** Revenge

MORE4 SKY: 138 FV: 14
8.55 River Cottage Bites **9.15** Time Team **11.15** Four in a Bed **2.00** Come Dine with Me **4.40** Vet on the Hill **5.45** Great Canal Journeys **6.50** Rambling on More4: Walking Through History **7.55** Rambling on More4: Walking Through History: Wigan Pier **9.00** Rambling on More4: Coastal Walks with My Dog **10.05** Rambling on More4: Walking the Himalayas **2.20** (BST) Blue Eyes **3.30** River Cottage Bites **3.40** Close

FILM4 SKY: 315 FV: 15
11.00 The Phantom (1996) (12) **1.00** Spy Kids 4: All the Time in the World (2011) (PG) **2.50** Epic (2013) (U) **4.55** Freaky Friday (2003) (PG) **6.55** Morning Glory (2010) (12) **9.00** The Family (2013) (15) Comedy thriller, with Robert De Niro and Michelle Pfeiffer. **11.10** The Haunting in Connecticut 2: Ghosts of Georgia (2013) (15) Premiere. Horror, starring Abigail Spencer. **2.10** (BST) The Last Exorcism (2010) (15) **3.55** Close

DAVE SKY: 111 FV: 12
7.10 Extreme Fishing with Robson Green **8.00** American Pickers **10.00** Sin City Motors **1.00** Storage Hunters UK **6.00** Storage Hunters UK: Celebrity Special **7.00** Dangerman: The Incredible Mr Goodwin **8.00** Dynamo: Magician Impossible **9.00** FILM: Sin City (2005) (18) Comic-book thriller, starring Mickey Rourke. **11.30** QI **12.05** Dave Gorman: Modern Life Is Goodish **2.05** (BST) QI XL **3.05** Suits **4.00** Home Shopping

SKY1 SKY: 106
6.00 Ashley Banjo's Big Town Dance **8.00** Game Changers **8.30** Duck Quacks Don't Echo **9.00** The Fantasy Football Club **10.00** Soccer AM **12.00** Batman v Superman: Dawn of Justice: Special **12.30** Modern Family **2.30** Futurama **3.30** Zootropolis: Special **3.45** FILM: Spy Kids (2001) (U) **5.30** The Simpsons **6.00** The Flash **7.00** NCIS: Los Angeles **8.00** Hawaii Five-0 **9.00** Limitless **10.00** An Idiot Abroad 3 **11.00** A League of Their Own **12.00** Arrow **2.00** (BST) DC's Legends of Tomorrow **3.00** Strike Back: Project Dawn **4.00** Nothing to Declare **5.00** Emergency Abroad

SKY ATLANTIC SKY: 108
6.00 The British **8.00** Cold Case **11.00** Blue Bloods **4.00** Without a Trace **8.00** Blue Bloods **9.00** Game of Thrones **11.00** Last Week Tonight with John Oliver **11.35** Girls **12.10** The Sopranos **2.20** (BST) Without a Trace **3.15** Cold Case **4.10** Bored to Death **5.05** The British

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DAYTIME

BBC1

6.00 Breakfast (S) **9.00 BBC News** (S) **10.00 Easter Worship 2016** (S) **11.00 Urbi et Orbi** (S) **11.25 Homes Under the Hammer** (S)(R) **12.10 Bargain Hunt** (S)(R) **1.00 BBC News;** Weather (S) **1.15 Father Brown** (S)(R) **2.00 Escape to the Country** (S)(R) **2.25 Rowing: The Boat Races** Live coverage of the men's and women's University Boat Races. (S) **5.00 A Question of Sport** (S)(R) **5.30 Songs of Praise** Behind the scenes on a community passion play. (S) **6.05 Paul O'Grady: The Sally Army and Me** (S) **6.35 BBC News** (S) **6.50 BBC Regional News; Weather** (S)

7 **7.00 Countryfile** Rural developments in Herefordshire, Worcestershire and Gloucestershire, featuring a farm that keeps turkeys for their eggs and a three-year-old girl getting to grips with lambing. (S)

8 **8.00 Antiques Roadshow** Fiona Bruce and the team head to the Royal Hall in Harrogate, with Alastair Dickenson giving his highest valuation in 20 years on the show. (S)

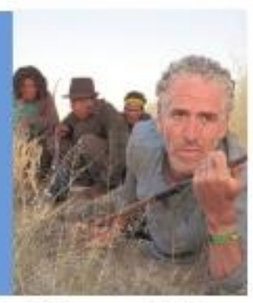
9 **9.00 The Night Manager** Pine fears his cover will be blown when he is forced to return to the hotel where he first encountered Roper. Burr faces the consequences of her failed mission. Last in the series. (S)

10 **10.00 BBC News** (S)
10.20 BBC Regional News; Weather (S)
10.30 Would I Lie to You? With Rhod Gilbert, Sally Phillips, Des O'Connor and Tess Daly. (S)(R)

11 **11.00 FILM Little Fockers (2010) (12)** A father of twins invites his family to his kids' birthday party and tries to finally prove his worth to his father-in-law. Comedy sequel, with Ben Stiller. (S)

AFTER 12 **12.30 Weather for the Week Ahead** (S) **12.35** BBC News (S)

BBC2



6.55 This Farming Life (S)(R) **7.55 Gardeners' World** (S)(R) **8.25 An Island Parish** (S)(R) **8.55 Countryfile** (S)(R) **9.55 Saturday Kitchen Best Bites** (S) **11.25 The Best Dishes Ever** (S)(R) **12.25 FILM King of Kings (1961) (U)** (S) **3.00 Flog It!** Presented by Paul Merton. (S)(R) **3.30 Tim Rice – A Life in Song** A concert celebrating the work of the Oscar-winning lyricist. (S)(R) **5.00 The Secret History of My Family** Rival street gangs in 1890s Salford and the magistrate determined to stamp them out. (S)(R) **6.00 Springwatch at Easter 2016** Chris Packham and Michaela Strachan. (S)

7.00 Gareth Malone's Great Choir Reunion Gareth tracks down some of the singers from the Military Wives and the workplace choirs he formed in Sing While You Work, before rehearsals begin for reunion concert. (S)(R)

8.00 Natural Born Winners New series. Athletes Donovan Bailey, James Toseland, Gareth Thomas and Iwan Thomas compete in demanding sports, beginning with fell running against horse riders in Wales. (S)

9.00 Tribes, Predators & Me Gordon Buchanan joins a group of Bushmen in Botswana's Kalahari Desert to learn their ancient secrets for surviving on foot among wild lions. (S)

10.00 Thirteen Ivy is arrested after her DNA is found in the cellar. Christina begs the police to be allowed to speak to her, and finally discovers the shocking truth behind her disappearance. (S)

11.00 The People v OJ Simpson: American Crime Story (S)(R)
11.50 FILM Youth Without Youth (2007) (15) Drama, starring Tim Roth and Alexandra Maria Lara. (S)

1.50 Sign Zone: Countryfile (S)(R) **2.45** Holby City (S)(R) **3.35 FILM Hockney (2014) (15)** Documentary about artist David Hockney. (S) **5.30** This Is BBC Two (S)

ITV

6.00 CITV 7.30 Scrambled! (S) **7.35 Mr Bean: The Animated Series** (S)(R) **7.50 Horrid Henry** (S)(R) **8.10 Nerds & Monsters** (S)(R) **8.30 Bear Grylls Survival School** (S) **9.05 The Tom & Jerry Show** (S)(R) **9.25 Thunderbirds Are Go** (S)(R) **10.20 Murder, She Wrote** (S)(R) **11.25 The Jeremy Kyle Show** (S)(R) **12.25 ITV News;** Weather (S) **12.35 FILM Willy Wonka and the Chocolate Factory (1971) (U)** (S) **2.35 Big Star's Little Star** (S)(R) **3.35 Off Their Rockers** (S)(R) **4.10 FILM A View to a Kill (1985) (PG)** (S) **6.35 ITV Regional News;** Weather (S) **6.45 ITV News** (S)

7.00 The Chase Celebrity Special Hayley Tamaddon, Geoff Hurst, Rob Beckett and Gaby Roslin answer general knowledge questions and work as a team to take on quiz geniuses and secure a cash prize for charity. (S)

8.00 Our Queen at 90 Members of the royal family pay tribute to Elizabeth II, and politicians, celebrities and ordinary people from all over the world talk about their experiences of meeting her. (S)

10.00 ITV News; Weather (S)
10.15 The Road to Coronation Street Drama telling the story of how the long-running soap was born as creator Tony Warren (David Dawson) faced opposition from ITV bosses. (S)(R)

11.55 Premiership Rugby Union Highlights of a top-flight fixture. (S)

12.45 Jackpot247 3.00 ITV Nightscreen **5.05** The Jeremy Kyle Show (S)(R)

Channel 4

6.00 How I Met Your Mother (S)(R) **6.45 Everybody Loves Raymond** (S)(R) **8.00 Frasier** (S)(R) **9.30 Sunday Brunch** (S) **12.30 George Clarke's Amazing Spaces** (S)(R) **1.30 The Big Bang Theory** (S)(R) **2.50 FILM The Great Mouse Detective (1986) (U)** Premiere. Animated adventure, with the voice of Vincent Price. (S) **4.25 FILM Hop (2011) (U)** Part-animated comedy, starring James Marsden and Russell Brand. (S) **6.15 Ice Age: The Great Egg-Scapade** Short animated comedy, featuring the characters from the movie series. (S) **6.40 Channel 4 News** (S)

7.00 The Secret Life of the Zoo With members of the elephant family at risk from a virus, Chester Zoo's team tries to combat the illness, while Mac the stallion zebra is introduced to the zoo's three mares. (S)(R)

8.00 Great Canal Journeys Timothy West and Prunella Scales follow the ancient routes of the Vikings and visit Stockholm, before they head out into the far-flung islands of the archipelago. (S)

9.00 Indian Summers Ralph tries to befriend a Maharjah to advance his standing, but Cynthia is thrown by an encounter with the ruler's mistress. The Dalal family are drawn into Aafrin's secrets. (S)

10.00 Gogglebox Capturing the households' instant reactions to what they are watching on TV from the comfort of their own sofas. (S)(R)

11.00 FILM Inglourious Basterds (2009) (18) Tarantino's wartime adventure, with Brad Pitt and Christoph Waltz. (S)

1.45 Embarrassing Bodies Down Under (S)(R) **2.40** Come Dine with Me (S)(R) **3.10** Come Dine with Me (S)(R) **3.40** Come Dine with Me (S)(R) **4.05** Come Dine with Me (S)(R) **4.35** Come Dine with Me (S)(R)

Channel 5

6.00 Milkshake! 8.55 FILM Thomas & Friends: Sodor's Legend of the Lost Treasure (2015) (U) Animated adventure, featuring the voice of Joseph May. (S) **10.05 The Fairly OddParents** (S) **10.40 Goal Rush: Football League Tonight** (S)(R) **11.20 Now That's Funny!** A baby has an odd reaction to bacon. (S)(R) **12.25 Pets Make You Laugh Out Loud** (S)(R) **1.25 Dogs Make You Laugh Out Loud** (S)(R) **2.25 FILM Watership Down (1978) (U)** Animated drama, with the voice of John Hurt. (S) **4.10 Greatest Animated Movies** A countdown of classic cartoon films. (S)

7.00 Now That's Funny! Cats battle it out with dogs and a man displays a talent for summoning animals. Plus, people failing to look where they are going and the latest Stars of the Week. (S)

8.00 Penn & Teller: Fool Us in Vegas Featuring card tricks set to music. (S)
8.55 5 News Weekend (S)

9.00 FILM Due Date (2010) (15) Premiere. An uptight architect trying to get home before his wife gives birth makes a disastrous journey with an oddball actor. Comedy, with Robert Downey Jr. (S)

11.00 FILM The Bounty Hunter (2010) (12) A bail enforcement agent is assigned to track down his own ex-wife, a reporter who is investigating a murder cover-up. Action comedy, starring Gerard Butler. (S)

1.05 SuperCasino 3.10 The Tube: Going Underground (S)(R) **4.00** Wildlife SOS (S)(R) **4.25** Wildlife SOS (S)(R) **4.50** Great Artists (S)(R) **5.20** Divine Designs (S)(R) **5.45** Angels of Jarm (S)(R) **5.50** Angels of Jarm (S)(R)

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ITV2 SKY: 118 FV: 6
6.00 You've Been Framed! Gold **6.50** Emmerdale **9.40** Coronation Street **12.05** Take Me Out **1.20** FILM: Cats & Dogs: The Revenge of Kitty Galore (2010) (U) **2.20** FYI Daily **2.25** FILM: Cats & Dogs: The Revenge of Kitty Galore (2010) (U) **3.00** FILM: Ella Enchanted (2004) (PG) Starring Anne Hathaway. **4.00** FYI Daily **4.05** FILM: Ella Enchanted (2004) (PG) **4.55** Ant & Dec's Saturday Night Takeaway **6.30** FILM: The Mummy Returns (2001) (PG) **7.30** FYI Daily **7.35** FILM: The Mummy Returns (2001) (PG) Concluded. **9.00** Ibiza Weekender **10.00** Family Guy **10.30** Bordertown **11.00** Family Guy **12.30** American Dad! **1.25** The Cleveland Show **2.15** Teleshopping **5.45** ITV2 Nightscreen

ITV3 SKY: 119 FV: 10
6.00 Movies Now **6.10** FILM: Mutiny on the Buses (1972) (PG) **7.10** FYI Daily **7.15** FILM: Mutiny on the Buses (1972) (PG) **7.40** Rising Damp Forever **8.45** Rising Damp **10.20** FILM: Carry On Henry (1971) (PG) **11.20** FYI Daily **11.25** FILM: Carry On Henry (1971) (PG) **12.10** FILM: Carry On Girls (1973) (PG) **1.10** FYI Daily **1.15** FILM: Carry On Girls (1973) (PG) **2.00** FILM: Carry On Matron (1972) (PG) **3.00** FYI Daily **3.05** FILM: Carry On Matron (1972) (PG) **3.50** Rising Damp **5.50** Doc Martin **6.55** FILM: Rising Damp (1980) (PG) **7.55** FYI Daily **8.00** FILM: Rising Damp (1980) (PG) Concluded. **9.00** Rising Damp Forever **10.00** FILM: Steptoe and Son (1972) (PG) Comedy, starring Harry H Corbett and Wilfrid Brambell. **11.00** FYI Daily **11.05** FILM: Steptoe and Son (1972) (PG) **12.00** FILM: Steptoe and Son Ride Again (1973) (PG) **1.00** FYI Daily **1.05** FILM: Steptoe and Son Ride Again (1973) (PG) **2.05** Wycliffe **3.00** May the Best House Win **4.40** On the Buses **5.05** Judge Judy **5.30** ITV3 Nightscreen

BBC4 SKY: 116 FV: 9
7.00 The Passion **8.00** The Brontes at the BBC **9.00** How to Make a Number One Record **10.00** FILM: Love Is All You Need (2012) (15) Premiere. Romantic drama, starring Pierce Brosnan and Trine Dyrholm. **11.50** One-Hit Wonders at the BBC **12.50** Len Goodman's Dancing Feet: The British Ballroom Story **1.50** The Brontes at the BBC **2.50** The Story of British Pathe **3.50** Close

E4 SKY: 136 FV: 28
6.00 Rude(ish) Tube **6.45** Suburgatory **7.30** Baby Daddy **8.30** How I Met Your Mother **9.30** Hollyoaks **12.00** Melissa & Joey **1.00** FILM: 17 Again (2009) (12) **3.00** The Goldbergs **4.30** The Big Bang Theory **9.00** Marvel's Agents of SHIELD **10.00** Tattoo Fixers **12.00** The Aliens **1.10** Virtually Famous **1.55** The 100 **2.40** Marvel's Agents of SHIELD **3.25** Hollyoaks

MORE4 SKY: 138 FV: 14
8.55 Jamie's 15 Minute Meals **9.35** Selling Houses with Amanda Lamb **10.40** FILM: Bugsy Malone (1976) (U) **12.30** Coastal Walks with My Dog **2.40** Four in a Bed **5.20** Come Dine with Me **8.00** Car SOS **9.00** It Was Alright in the 1970s **10.00** It Was Alright in the 1980s **11.05** That's So Last Century **12.15** 8 Out of 10 Cats Does Countdown **1.20** Car SOS **2.20** Thicker Than Water **3.35** Close

FILM4 SKY: 315 FV: 15
11.00 Catch That Kid (2004) (PG) **1.00** The Chronicles of Narnia: The Voyage of the Dawn Treader (2010) (PG) **3.10** Marmaduke (2010) (U) Comedy, starring Lee Pace. **4.55** Sister Act (1992) (PG) Comedy, starring Whoopi Goldberg. **6.55** Rise of the Planet of the Apes (2011) (12) Sci-fi thriller, starring James Franco and Andy Serkis. **9.00** Fast & Furious 6 (2013) (12) Action thriller sequel, with Vin Diesel and Dwayne Johnson. **11.35** Machete Kills (2013) (15) **1.40** The Raid (2011) (18) **3.50** Close

DAVE SKY: 111 FV: 12
7.10 Extreme Fishing with Robson Green **8.00** Red Bull Soapbox Race **11.00** Red Bull Soapbox Race 2015: London **1.00** Top Gear Botswana Special **2.00** Top Gear: Burma Special **4.40** Top Gear Bolivia Special **6.25** Top Gear **8.00** Top Gear Botswana Special **9.00** Have I Got a Bit More News for You **10.00** QI XL **11.00** Parks and Recreation **12.00** Dynamo: Magician Impossible **1.00** Have I Got a Bit More News for You **2.00** Mock the Week **2.35** 8 Out of 10 Cats **3.00** Suits **4.00** Home Shopping

SKY1 SKY: 106
6.00 Hour of Power **7.00** Monkey Life **8.00** Zootropolis: Special **8.15** FILM: Spy Kids (2001) (U) **10.00** The Flash **11.00** WWE: Raw **12.00** Futurama **3.00** Modern Family **5.00** The Great Disney Easter Egg Hunt 2 **5.30** The Muppets **6.00** Modern Family **6.30** The Simpsons **7.00** Dogs Might Fly **8.00** A League of Their Own **9.00** Hawaii Five-0 **10.00** NCIS: Los Angeles **11.00** Ross Kemp's Britain **12.00** Stop, Search, Seize **1.00** The Force: Manchester **2.00** Strike Back: Project Dawn **3.00** Motorway Patrol **4.00** Emergency Abroad **5.00** Nothing to Declare

SKY ATLANTIC SKY: 108
6.00 The British **8.00** The West Wing **1.00** Urban Secrets **2.00** Without a Trace **6.00** Cold Case **9.00** The Pacific **11.20** Vinyl **12.30** The Sopranos **1.25** Togetherness **2.00** Vinyl **3.10** Without a Trace **4.05** The British

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ENTERTAINMENT & LISTINGS

Ray Mears recounts tales of endurance

By **James Richings**

HE has been to the most extreme places on the planet and has lived in the most dangerous of situations.

Now survival expert Ray Mears will be spilling the beans about his incredible life when he arrives at The Anvil on Thursday, March 31.

The 52-year-old will be explaining the highs and lows of his career to date, and hopes the audience will be inspired by his incredible life.

"I hope they will come away with some new knowledge and are inspired by some of these stories," Ray said.

"We should not forget these people, some of whom did things, that have given us the opportunity to live as we do today.

"We are also going to be talking about First Aid and about taking the right equipment and so on."

Ray started his career as a camper where he excelled with his bushcraft skills by living in forests and woodland.

But it wasn't until 1997 when Ray was experiencing a different side to surviving in the great outdoors when his show 'Ray Mears' World of Survival' saw him experience extreme conditions.

• Ray Mears

However, the adventurer has no regrets about his career, despite living on a diet of ants and grubs on a few occasions.

"It is all part of loving the great outdoors and respecting your environment," he said.

"You should make yourself as knowledgeable as you can about what to do if you're faced with situations in that location and you should also have a good knowledge of first aid and the right equipment to take."

The show is suitable for anyone over the age of 12, and tickets cost £22.

It starts at 7.30pm.

Sibling stories

A PLAY about how a brother and sister grew up together before drifting apart will be at the Proteus Theatre in Basingstoke on Wednesday, March 30.

Written by Deborah Gearing, the play is already achieving rave reviews from fans.

And director Kirstie Davis believes it will be a big hit.

"Upbeat is both a musical term and a term for a piece of water," Kirstie said.

"At the heart of the play is the relationship between a brother and sister where we see them grow up and we see them grow apart.

"However, in the midst of this is the idea that the waterways are important to all of us and the landscape of home is embedded in each one of us.

"The story goes back and forth in time and really explores what home is. It is funny and poignant and thought provoking."

She added: "This has been three years in the making.

"The audience can expect an evening of live music, beautiful and witty storytelling and three amazing actor-musicians."

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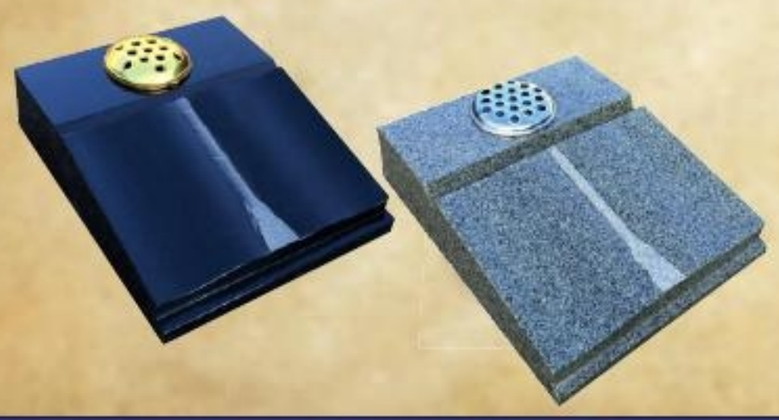

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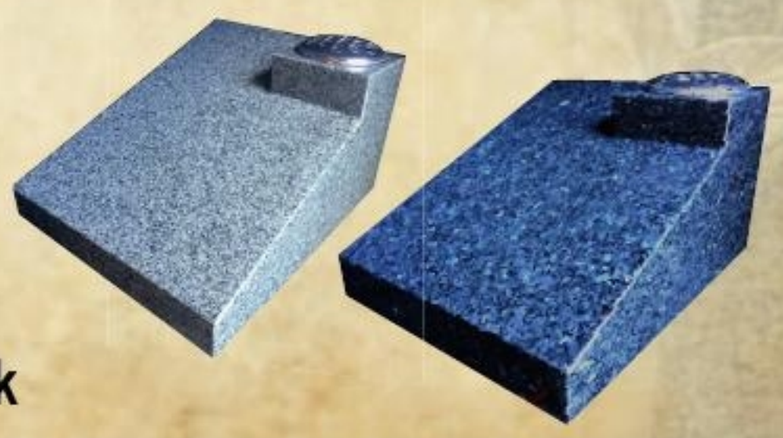

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Bella in Basingstoke

ACOUSTIC and folk musician Bella Hardy will return to the county when she performs at The Forge in Basingstoke, next Thursday, March 31.

By **James Richings**

The 31-year-old visits the Churchill Way venue off the back of her latest album 'With the Dawn' being released last March.

And with Bella making regular appearances in the south of the country over the last few years, she hopes the Hampshire audience will enjoy her new material.

• Bella Hardy (picture by Alex Boyd)

"The inspiration behind the album was that there was a year of my life when I was on the road a lot, I turned 30 and I won the BBC Folk Singer of the Year," Bella told the Observer.

"There was a lot going on in which I was confused, and I think really exhausted.

"So I write as a way of making sense of the world around me.

"I write poems and notes, but with previous albums I've been quite protective about what I let people see of me within each song.

"That's not the case for 'With The Dawn', it's very much a record of my notes from that one year of my life."

The album is Bella's sixth in eight years, with her previous five leading the musician to a number of award nominations and accolades, including two BBC Radio 2 Folk Awards.

"I can only afford to be a musician, to create new work and explore music if people come to my gigs and buy my records," she added.

"Award nominations are a really great way to spread the word about my music, and just make more people aware of who I am, so, yes, they help a lot."

The gig starts at 8pm and tickets cost £16.

Pudsey's back to save the world

THE 2012 Britain's Got Talent winners Ashleigh and Pudsey will be at The Anvil on Friday, April 8 and Saturday, April 9.

The duo arrive at the Churchill Way venue as part of their 'Mission ImPUDSEYble' UK tour, inspired by their winning performance on the talent show four years ago.

"Pudsey and I are a couple of secret agents who have to save the world and stop the evils from taking over," Ashleigh Butler told the Observer.

"There will be lots of different bits for different people so there is Pudsey who will be dancing, there will be singing, West End dancers, acrobatics, something for everyone."

The Britain's Got Talent success for Ashleigh and Pudsey have put the two on the international map of show business.

However, despite winning £500,000 on the talent show, Ashleigh revealed what her main priority was just one week after winning.

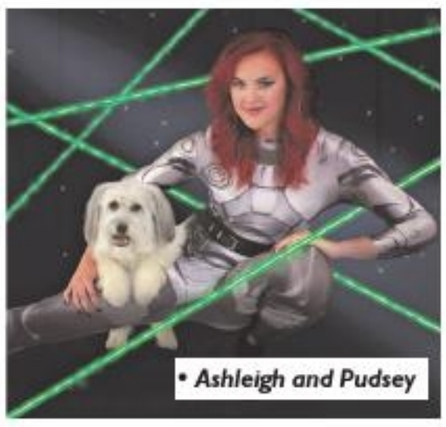
"I was in my first year of A-Levels so it was difficult to balance Britain's Got Talent with studying, because a week after we won I was taking exams," she said.

"But after my first year I left school as I wanted to make this my main priority and job."

"When I was teaching Pudsey the tricks, each one took different amounts of time as it depends on what I want to teach him.

"For example, walking on the back legs took him about a year because he has to build up his stamina and core muscles, but with the roll, that will take him two weeks."

The shows on Friday start at 3pm and 6.30pm whilst the Saturday shows start at 1.30pm and 5pm.



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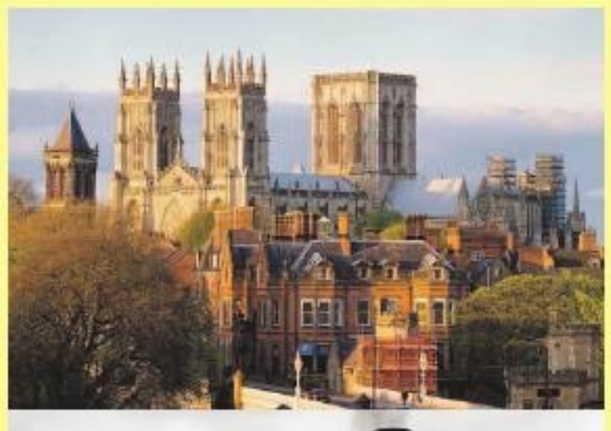

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The group has remained a trio with two of the original members, and is now made up of Helen Scott, Valerie Holiday and Freddie Pool, and we can't wait to welcome the ladies to our stage.

Wed, Mar 30, 10.30am
New Greenham Arts, Newbury

EASTER BONNETS

Perfect for budding artists (or even fashion designers!) you'll use cardboard plates, bowls and cups to make a headpiece and then decorate it with tissue paper, stickers, wool and ribbon.
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Fri, Apr 1, 7.30pm
The Haymarket, Basingstoke

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Fri, Apr 1, 8pm
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Sun, Apr 3, 2.30pm
The Haymarket, Basingstoke

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Thu, Apr 7, 8pm
The Forge, Basingstoke

DANE BAPTISTE

After the incredible success of his debut show Citizen Dane (which saw him nominated for Best

COMEDY

Newcomer at both the Foster's Comedy Awards at 2014's Edinburgh Fringe Festival and again in 2015's Chortle Awards), he has completed two sold out runs at The Soho Theatre (with additional dates added due to phenomenal demand), written and starred in his own sitcom for the BBC and performed at the Melbourne Comedy Festival.

Fri, Apr 8 – Sat, Apri, 8pm
The Phoenix Theatre Arts Centre, Bordon

PATRICK MONAHAN

The family's favourite funnyman (and occasional disco dancer) is on tour across the UK with his brand new stand-up show! Charged by Patrick's memories and reminiscences of being an immigrant to Great Britain, this is a laugh out loud show that is both thoughtful and smart as well as brilliantly silly!

Sat, Apr 9, 8pm
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DIANA JONES

In the last decade, singer-songwriter Diana Jones has brought her unique and original style of Appalachian singing and songwriting to stages from Nashville to Amsterdam.
Jones' story is as full of intricate connections as her narratives: the almost mystical connection she felt to rural Southern music while growing up in suburban New York, which led to the reunion at twenty-three with her birth family in the Smoky Mountains of Tennessee. Her grandfather, Robert Lee Maranville helped Jones make sense of her own distinctive voice and love of the storytelling genre.
A lone pilgrimage to a cabin after his death produced the songs that became her debut release, My Remembrance of You.
Diana's last release, Museum of Appalachia Recordings brought the music back to the family roots. The record received wide acclaim and led to tours of Europe and the United States. She looks forward to setting foot on the next concert stage in support of her new release Diana Jones Live in Concert.

Thu, Apr 20 – Sat, Apr 23, 7.30pm
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Sun, Apr 24, 7.30pm
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Tue, Apr 26, 7.45pm
Corn Exchange, Newbury

THE JOKE

The Joke is a new play from comedy award winner Will Adamsdale - and company - exploring jokes and why we tell them, countries and why we need (and despair of) them, and life and why we bother. And tic tacs.

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Arlington Arts Centre, Newbury

HUNTER & THE BEAR

Melody-driven folk-rock group Hunter & The Bear have sailed from a sound proofed shipping container in a London car park, to

supporting Eric Turner, in just a matter of years.
In their early days (when they only had access to a kick drum and acoustic guitars) comparisons to Mumford & Sons were rife, but the sound has changed and grown as the boys adjust to their skyrocketing popularity and infuse the influences of newer band members. Folk with muscle; beefed out by the addition of an electric guitar and drum to the line-up. Think spirited attack, with an audible friendship in the four-piece's harmonies.

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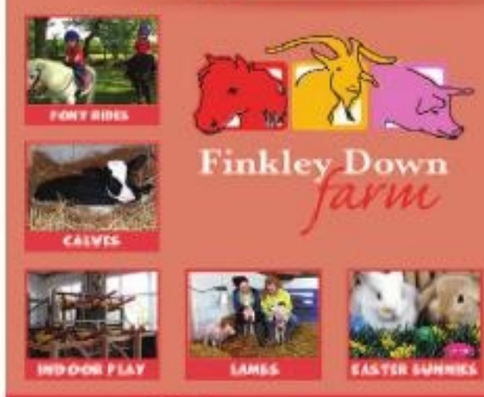

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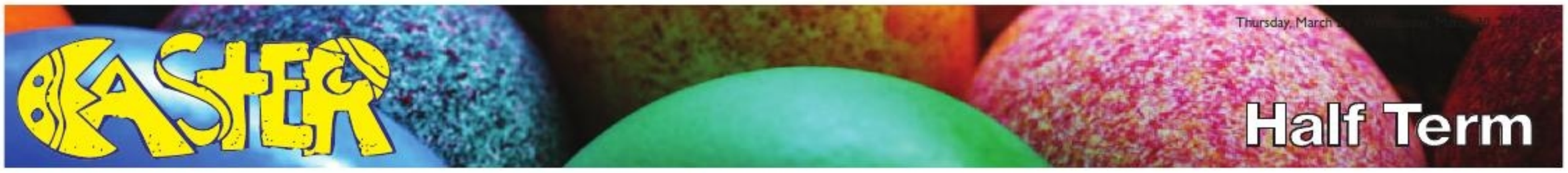

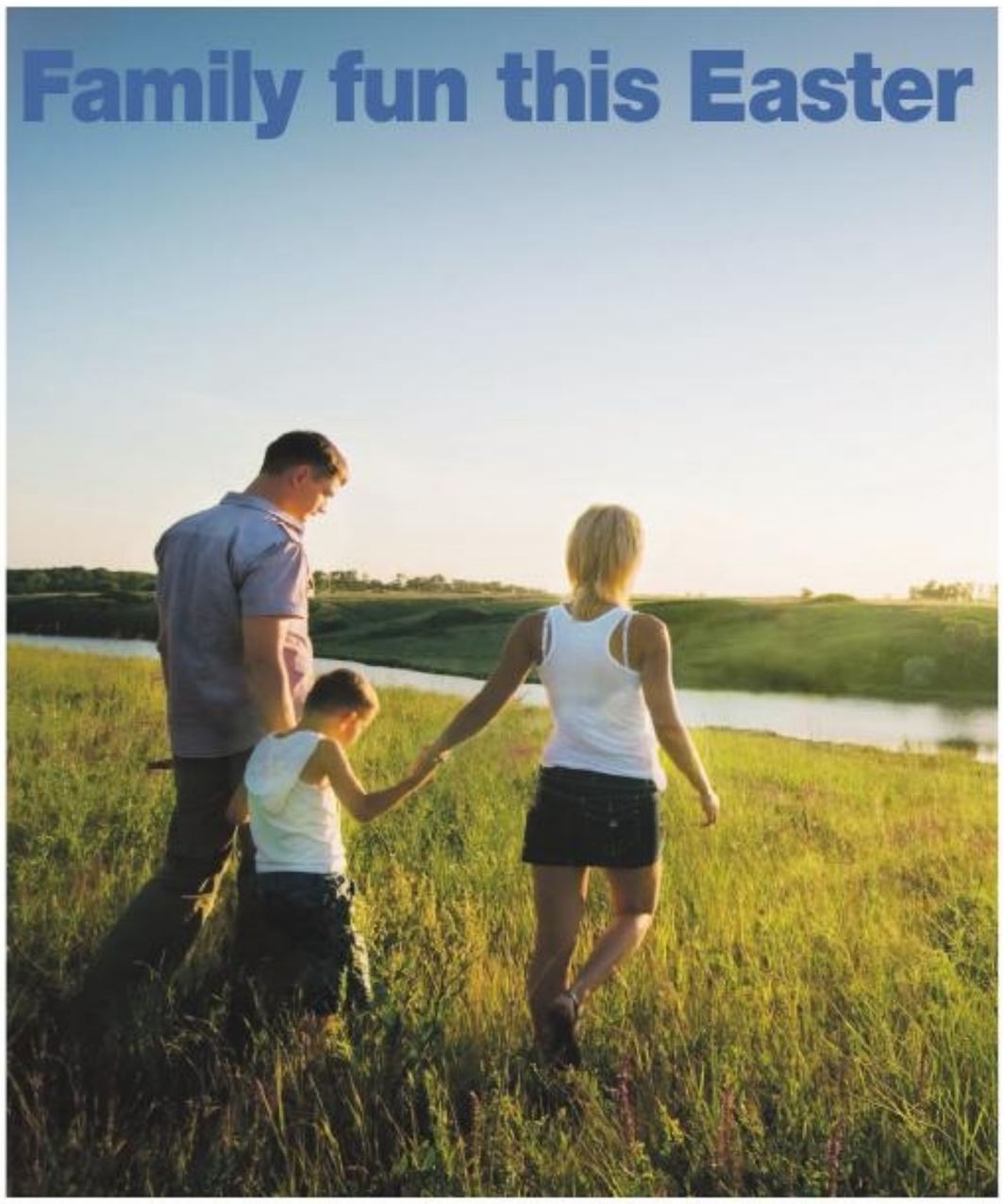

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FROM 1 April, Basingstoke & Deane Community Leisure Trust will offer free casual swimming to children under 6 years old and concessionary prices to all children and young people under 20 years old at Basingstoke Aquadrome, Basingstoke Golf Centre and Tadley Pool.

Hazel Tilbury, Chairperson of Basingstoke and Deane Community Leisure Trust commented:

"Keeping healthy and active should be accessible to all from an early age to instil positive life enhancing habits within the whole community. The Trust is delighted to offer our fantastic facilities at the Aquadrome, Golf Centre and Tadley Pool to children and young people in Basingstoke and surrounding areas to help them lay down the foundations for a future healthy active lifestyle."

Alan Elliott, Contract Manager for the Basingstoke and Deane Community Leisure Trust said:

"This is an excellent way to help broaden access and increase participation in health and fitness from all parts of the community. We want our facilities to be enjoyed by everyone"

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When we arrived it had recently been raining and was rather windy, so we started our day in the huge barn which contained climbing frames, go karts, a ball pit and animal pens. The children were keen to see the animals (we have four grandchildren aged from 3 to 12). When we got to the animal pens there were pigs, ponies, rabbits, sheep, and, of course Fred the ferret! Fred was being walked at that time and the children took turns to walk him around the pens. The keeper Carl was so passionate about his animals and took great delight in telling us all about Fred and his friends.

One other thing to note is that once you have paid your entrance ticket, everything is free, which, considering all the children made good use of all the rides, was excellent value for money. The go karts proved very popular indeed!

After lunch the weather improved and we ventured out into the large outdoor area, with bouncy castles, slides, more animals, trampolines just to mention a few!

Later in the afternoon we did the 'spooky walk' which was specifically for Halloween, very scary!

Overall we found the staff there extremely friendly and helpful, especially with the children, who thoroughly enjoyed the whole day. We will be returning there again, maybe on a warmer day where we will be able to enjoy the outside facilities even more.

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By **Anthony Yates**

Engine: The 1.6 Litre i-DTEC (160PS) with 350Nm of torque is a fantastic little diesel engine. This version is one of the best I have come across so far this year. The engine feels very refined and has bags of torque available in most gears. You won't be visiting the pumps much either as the CR-V is able to return a combined 55.4MPG.

On the road: A good ride height is a big plus point, as is the feel on the road. The suspension is well set up for all sorts of surfaces and around the corners it feels well planted to the road ahead. As with all compact SUVs it does feel top heavy – but then so does every other SUV you may care to mention.

Inside: The interior is of a good standard, its controls are well set out, and all the dials are clear. Space inside is good – you would easily fit in a very large family, and the mother in law, along with a couple of dogs if the need was there. Plus – everything inside the CR-V feels well put together. There is also no corner cutting when it comes to quality either – it feels very upmarket inside.

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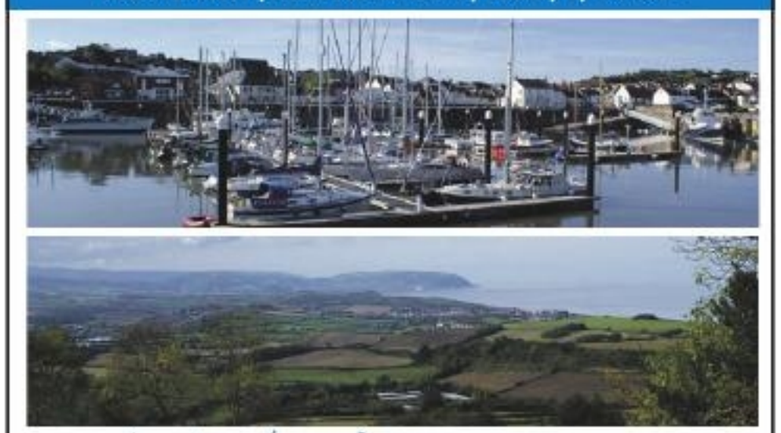

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Herd warm up for play offs with Flames win

By **Christian Wilson**

ENGLISH Premier League (EPL) champions Basingstoke Bison ended their regular season with a win on home ice on Sunday.

Doug Sheppard's side beat rivals Guildford Flames 3-1 at the Basingstoke Arena to set them up nicely for this weekend's play off double-header with Manchester Phoenix.

The Herd didn't have it all their own way however, as a narrow 3-2 loss at Milton Keynes Lightning the day before prevented them from securing a final four-point weekend haul.

And the loss came at a massive cost to the Stampede heading into the play-offs, as club captain Aaron Connolly was ruled out for the season with injury following a heavy charge from defenceman Martti Jarventie in the second period.

Basingstoke were level in the match at that stage in Buckinghamshire after Joe Greener cancelled out Jordan Cownie's 2:12 opener, with Connolly and Rene Jarolin claiming the assist five minutes before the first buzzer was sounded.

•Basingstoke Bison collected the EPL trophy on Sunday (picture by grantkingphotography.com)

But following a scoreless second period, the match sprung back into life after the break, as Glen Billing and Lewis Hook gave the hosts a 3-1 lead, before Grant Rounding's consolation on 57:50.

Bison knew that they would get their hands on the EPL trophy after Sunday's match with Guildford, regardless of the result.

But they looked eager to sign off in style right from the first buzzer at Planet Ice, as Alan Lack and Declan Balmer combined on 7:47 to take advantage of the powerplay by feeding Tomas Karpov to score.

And the Herd kept their foot on the accelerator to ensure that they went into the first break two goals to the good – this time Shaun Thompson finding the net on 18:25, following smart approach play by Lack and Karpov.

Matt Towe pulled one back for the Flames five minutes into the second period, after being played clear by Danny Meyers and Sam Godfrey.

But just over two minutes later, Bison made it 3-1, as Karpov claimed his second assist of the game, and the 38th overall in the league this season, to set up Lack.

And with both sides' places in the top three already secured, the game rather predictably petered out after that, as no more goals were scored to hand Basingstoke their 40th win of the campaign.

Bison have chosen the Phoenix as their opponents in the play off quarter final, and will travel to Manchester on Saturday, before hosting the second leg the following night.

Greener going on American adventure

•Joe Greener

JOE Greener has been described as the "complete player" by Basingstoke Bison head coach Doug Sheppard.

The popular forward played his final regular season league match on Sunday against Guildford Flames after making the decision to move to America at the end of the season.

Greener got the chance to sign off in style by lifting the English Premier League (EPL) having collected 92 goals and 137 assists during his time at the club – placing him as the third-highest British scorer.

And Bison boss Sheppard is now hoping to give him the perfect send off by securing a league and play off double.

He said: "We wanted to make it a great night for Joe and it was extra special to have the trophy presented.

"He was my first signing when I returned to Basingstoke and someone I really think is a complete player."

Basingstoke were also hit with the bad news that they will be without skipper Aaron Connolly until next season after he was injured during Saturday's loss to Milton Keynes.

And Connolly took to social media to thank the Bison faithful for their support.

He posted: "I am lost for words and truly overwhelmed with the amount of kind messages I have received tonight.

"I won't lie it's not great and I won't be back on the ice this season but it could have been a hell of a lot worse so I've got a smile on my face."

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Ladies clinch dramatic championship victory

BASINGSTOKE Hockey Club's Ladies' 1sts claimed the most dramatic of title wins on Saturday to take the team up to its highest ever position.

Lisa Scarborough's side led the South Women's League Division 3B by three goals on goal difference from East Grinstead 2nds heading into the home tie with Eastbourne Ladies' 1sts.

And 'Stoke were made to sweat for their crown, despite hammering the visitors 4-0 at Down Grange, as East Grinstead put in an even better showing to batter Andover 6-0.

That result meant that Basingstoke claimed promotion to South Division 2 by just a single goal to trigger wild scenes from players and supporters alike.

Knowing that they would have to win by a lot of goals to better East Grinstead, the hosts pressed straight from the first whistle and went 3-0 up before half-time through goals from Fi Parker, Claire Bowman and Catriona Bausor.

The second half would prove to be a much tighter affair, with the players on the field completely oblivious to the fact that at 3-0 up, they were dead level with East Grinstead.

But with two minutes left, Basingstoke were awarded a penalty stroke after the ball hit an Eastbourne foot.

And Bowman stepped up confidently to slot home the title winning goal and ensure 'Stoke's promotion.

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Title blow

FOOTBALL: Basingstoke Town Ladies' titles home suffered a big blow on Sunday after they narrowly lost 2-1 at Marlow Ladies.

Lindsey Beverley scored her side's only goal as 'Stoke lost just their second league match of the season to leave them three points behind Southern Region Women's Football League (SRWFL) Premier Division leaders Oxford City.

Basingstoke do have one game in hand on their rivals however, and will look to draw level with Oxford next Sunday when they host Banbury United Ladies at Winklebury Football Complex.

Nineteenth loss

RUGBY: Basingstoke RFC's miserable season continued on Saturday as they were battered 72-5 by promotion chasing London Cornish.

The loss was Gareth Hatherley-Hurford's side's 19th defeat in a row in their London South West Two campaign, as they prepare themselves for life in the London 3 South West next year.

Basingstoke are next in action this Saturday, when they will host London Exiles at Down Grange.

Ending with a win

HOCKEY: Basingstoke Hockey Club's men's 1sts finished the season on a high on Saturday after beating Reigate Priory 1sts 4-3 in a topsy turvy encounter.

Basingstoke went into the match knowing that they would miss out on promotion and finish the Hampshire Surrey 1 season in second spot after losing to champions Bournemouth 1sts.

But they showed no hangover at Down Grange as goals from Dean Record and Grant Rouse gave them a 2-1 half time lead.

Reigate Priory then managed to level the game at 3-3 after cancelling out Rouse's second of the match, but Todd Hutcheson then scored a fourth for Basingstoke to seal the win.

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NEW BOSS BROWN TARGETS SURVIVAL

BASINGSTOKE Town have appointed Terry Brown as their new manager in a last ditch attempt to try and retain their National League South status.

By **Christian Wilson**

The former AFC Wimbledon manager replaced Michael Gilkes as boss on Tuesday and brings an enviable record in the lower leagues with him to The Camrose.

Brown has never been relegated in his 23-year managerial career, while he has also guided each and every one of his former sides to promotion on at least one occasion.

Gilkes was released from his role at the club on Monday following the Dragons' 1-0 defeat at Whitehawk on Saturday, which left them rooted to the bottom of the league and 11 points from safety with just eight matches to go.

But while he admitted that the challenge of avoiding the drop was a difficult one, Brown insisted that it was not impossible and vowed to get his team "fighting and scrapping" for the final run in, starting with Saturday's home tie against Oxford City.

He said: "Everything is possible in football – if I'd told any Leicester City fan this time last year they'd be where they are now, they would have had me certified, wouldn't they?

"It's quite a formidable task, and I'm not gong to tell my players that we need to win seven out of eight because that's a dream, not a plan, and I'm a planner.

"My job is to focus on Saturday's game, because if I look any further than that then I would be mad.

"I have to get the boys fighting and scrapping until it's mathematically impossible to stay up."

Speaking to the Observer, Brown backed himself to get the club straight back up should they go down, having gained promotion from the Isthmian Premier Division with Margate last campaign.

And the Town boss, who has also overseen the rise through the divisions of AFC Wimbledon, Aldershot Town and Hayes, was also keen to stress his intention to provide a more attractive brand of football for the fans in the future.

Although he admitted that style would have to be sacrificed for substance in the short-term to "get us out of the mess".

"I've not got a relegation on my CV, and I don't want one," said Brown.

"But we've got a plan in place if we do go down, and we will then build a team capable of getting out of the league that we're in."

He continued: "I'm more Klopp than Van Gaal and at the start of next year I will want to play passing football because that's what I like to do.

"But this is not a scenario that calls for a footballing side, we need blood, thunder, desire, application, commitment and heart."

He added: "I'm not here to wave a magic wand, but I believe that the current squad can do better.

"I've never failed to take a club up and I want to take Basingstoke to a higher level than it's ever been before."

• New Basingstoke Town manager Terry Brown has never been relegated in his 23-year managerial career

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